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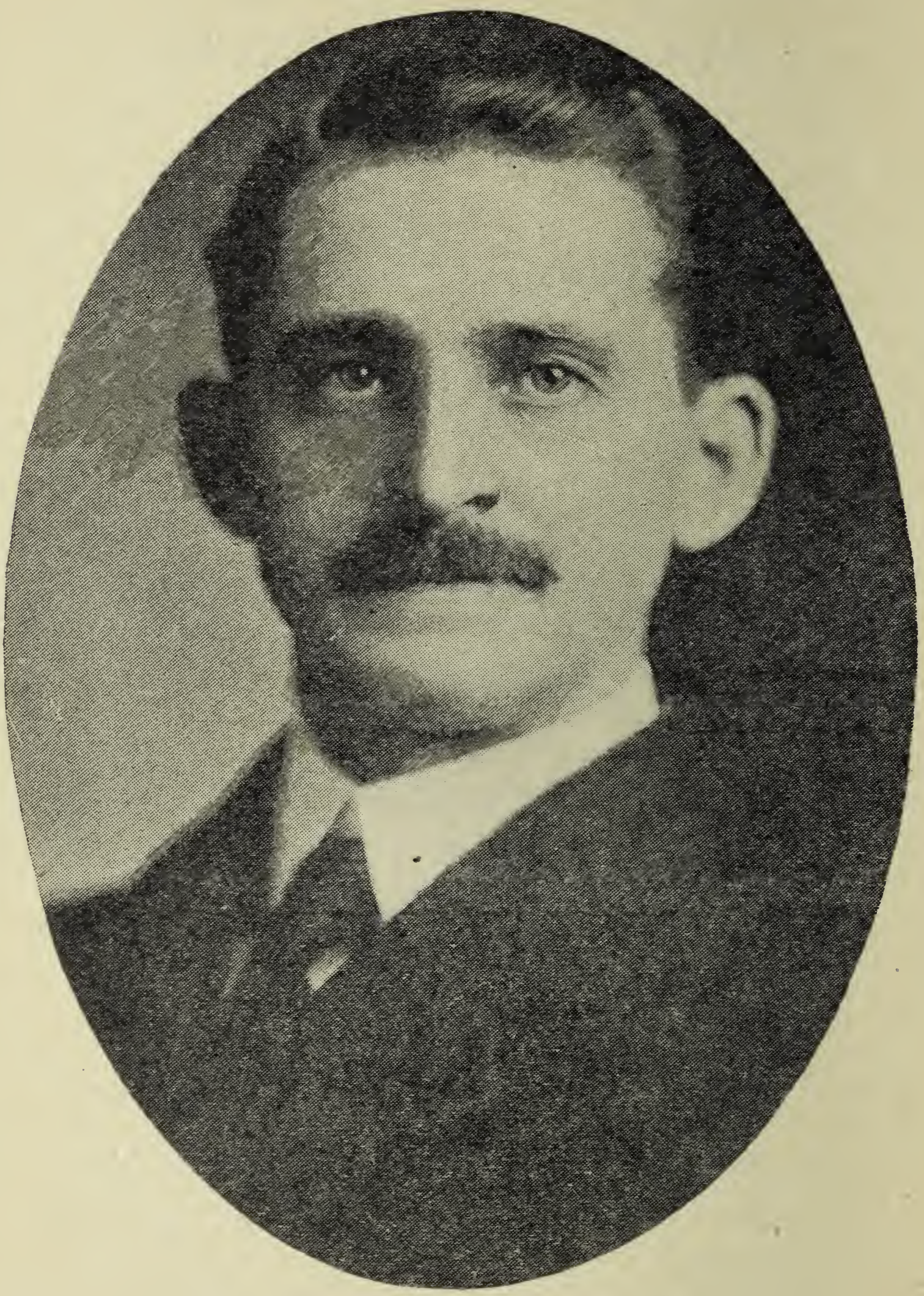

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Class—H. S. Reese, W. L. Blackwell.

NECROLOGY

Of Members from the Organization of the Conference

Cherished Names.	*Died.*
A. Dunbar	1860
H. S. Stump	1860
W. H. Brown	1861
S. Coblentz	1862
T. B. Thrapp	1863
A. Sweasy	1864
S. Greason	1867
H. Clark	1871
J. Simpson. Sr.	1872
J. H. Bedwell	1873
D. Stoltz	1874
A. W. Hedge	1874
S. Hayworth	1874
O. P. Hurst	1874
J. Severe	1875
S. Stark	1875
J. Cottman	1875
B. Lloyd	1875
J. Simpson, Jr.	1876
D. Ross	1879
P. Story	1879
M. T. Tobey	1880
B. Cole	1880
J. P. Shue	1880
S. G. Brock	1881
W. G. Hartman	1881
H. Severn	1882
W. McGinnis	1883
S. Ross	1883
J. Tobey	1884
A. Collins	1884
J. Burtner	1884
P. Brock	1884
S. Allenbaugh	1884
S. C. Stewart	1885
M. Hall	1885
S. B. Allen	1886
J. L. Cardwell	1889
L. S. Chittenden	1892
A. Helton	1892
J. Grim	1892
Daniel Mater	1893
A. Briley	1893
I. W. Williams	1893
J. R. Helton	1896
S. Schlosser	1896
E. Shuey	1897
J. Sheets	1898
W. Kauble	1898
J. G. Shuey	1901
J. J. Page	1901
S. Keagy	1902
B. Bussard	1902
A. Rider	1904
S. Smoot	1904
W. C. Smith	1905
R. Clark	1906
J. Dickens	1906
W. E. Anderson	1908
S. Bussard	1908
J. H. Penner	1908
J. Peachy	1908
W. Quigley	1908
J. Cougill	1910
B. G. Wood	1911
D. F. Meek	1912
W. O. Haycock	1913
J. W. Nye	1913

ROLL OF MEMBERS

Active Itinerants.	*Joined.*	*Ordained.*	*Post-Office.*
Ade, D. C.	1909	1897	Flora, Ill,., R. R. No. 3.
Albert, W. O.	1909	1913	St. Francisville, Ill.
Albert, Mrs. Ona	1905		St. Francisville, Ill.
Ball, G. W.	1890	1905	Yale, Ill.
Blackwell, W. L.	1913		Borton, Ill.
Broadstone, H. W.	1874	1888	901 South Lincoln Street, Robinson, Ill.
Bogard, O. J.	1906	1912	Robinson, Ill.
Bogard, H. A.	1906	1912	Toledo, Ill.
Bundy, E. E.	1908		Birds, Ill.
Bonebrake, G. W.	1900	1902	308 W. Fairchild St.
Byard, Z. H.	1888	1891	Mt. Vernon, Ill.
Connett, J. B.	1886	1889	707 E. Main, St., Olney, Ill.
Cooley, L. H.	1881	1891	Longview, Ill.
Decker, T. H.	1907	1911	St. Joseph, Ill.
Dwyer, C. A.	1910	1900	300 Maple Ave., Casey, Ill.
Duncan, W. L.	1894	1900	Westfield, Ill.
Fear, W. L.	1911		Vergennes, Ill.
Fear, Mrs. W. L.	1912		Vergennes, Ill.
Fisher, I. B.	1911		5025 Raymond Ave., St. Louis, Mo.
Fowler, J. F.	1895	1901	Paris, Ill., R. R.
Fowler, J. C.	1887	1891	Robinson, Ill.
Gladwell, C. N.	1910		Galton, Ill.
Griffin, R.	1893	1896	Rossville, Ill.
Harbert, W. C.	1888	1891	Westfield, Ill.
Hudson, H. D.	1898	1901	Robinson, Ill., R. R.
King, F. H.	1907	1912	408 W. Washington St., Paris, Ill.
Lehwald, H. A.	1910		Olney, Ill.
Myers, C. O.	1904	1907	Olney, Ill.
McCreery, J. T.	1891	1898	Lawrenceville, Ill.
Miller, L. E.	1900	1903	Marshall, Ill.
Muncie, W. R.	1877	1880	Olney, Ill.
McIver, I. S.	1902	1913	Flora, Ill.
Norviel, J. B.	1887	1890	707 S. Lincoln St., Robinson, Ill.
Nash, Mrs. R. J.	1905	1910	Flora, Ill., R. R. No. 3.
Pierson, E. M.	1892	1896	Marshall, Ill.
Padrick, G. W.	1902		Penfield, Ill.
Peters, B. C.	1909		Vermilion, Ill.
Phelps, B. B.	1909	1895	Parkersburg, Ill.
Pellum, J. L.	1903	1911	St. Francisville, Ill.
Reese, H. S.	1904		Findlay, Ill.
Royer, N. E.	1893	1903	Chesterville, Ill.
Seneff, D. R.	1885	1888	Moweaqua, Ill., R. R.
Sibert, J. E.	1911		Brownstown, Ill., R. R.
Spencer, J. E.	1911		Loogootee, Ill.
Smith, Oscar	1913	1903	Charleston, Ill.
Spyker, T. D.	1878	1884	Potomac, Ill.
Stoltz, S. O.	1897	1900	302 W. Fairchild St., Danville, Ill.
Sypolt, B. N.	1911		Sumner, Ill.
Watson, M. L.	1905	1911	Fisher, Ill.

Superannuated Itinerants.	*Joined.*	*Ordained.*	*Post-Office.*
Bowman, Miss Daisy	1909		Danville, Ill., R. R.
Coen, H.	1900	1874	Olney, Ill.
Coffman, J.	1870	1871	Bluford, Ill.

Eastin, J. H.	1910		Harrisburg, Ark., R. R.
Elliott, W. H.	1906	1892	Terre Haute, Ind.
Fink, F. M.	1885	1898	Rose Hill, Ill., R. R.
Holsapple, J. W.	1889	1894	Toledo, Ill.
Johns, E. R.	1886	1890	Enfield, Ill.
Mills, S.	1859	1861	Westfield, Ill.
Moore, J. F.	1861	1859	Holton, Kansas.
Stevenson, Mrs. C. A.	1891	1894	Toledo, Ill.
Tohill, J.	1879	1889	Oblong, Ill.
Walters, T.	1881	1891	Olney, Ill., R. R. 1.

Supernumerary Itinerants.	*Joined.*	*Ordained.*	*Post-Office.*
Boley, E.	1897	1900	Olney, Ill.
Boster, G. W.	1894	1899	Dahlgren, Ill.
Breden, J. G.	1913		Westfield, Ill.
Byrd, L.	1909	1885	Rossville, Ill.
Cooper, L. M.	1912		———————.
Hall, C. A.	1903	1907	Independence, Kans.
Keller, G. W.	1890		Taylorville, Ill.
Knapp, I. J.	1909		Fisher, Ill.
Olmstead, A. J.	1910		Johnstown, Ill.
Perkins, C. W.	1909		Vergennes, Ill.
Perkins, W. L.	1902	1906	Dayton, Ohio.
Shuey, W. R.	1862	1869	Westfield, Ill.
Smith, J. A.	1873	1878	Bluford, Ill.
Stevenson, D. K.	1887	1893	Toledo, Ill.
Thompson, Miss E.	1907		Dayton, Ohio.
Tipsword, H. M.	1895	1898	Westfield, Ill.

Local.	*Joined.*	*Ordained.*	*Post-Office.*
Blackburn, B.	1909		Montezuma, Ind.
Blakney, Paul E.	1913		Dayton, Ohio.
Johnson, Everett E.	1913		714 S. Fourth Avenue, Charleston, Ill.
Roberts, Fred A.	1913		Casey, Ill.
Seitzinger, W. R.	1913		Bluford, Ill.
Story, J. T.	1911		Wheeler, Ill.
Webber, R. L.	1910		Lerna, Ill.. R. R.

LAY DELEGATES

DANVILLE DISTRICT

Fields.	*Delegates.*	*Fields.*	*Delegates.*
Ashmore	Mrs. Irvin Courtney	Fisher	Ora Crowley
Broadlands	C. H. Davis	Galton	Cora Shurg
Chesterville	Wm. A. Cummings	Locust Grove	W. R. Bridgeman
Charleston	A. E. Stites	Oakwood	A. C. McElwee
Danville, 1st	John Starns	Potomac	W. C. Leonard
Danville, Perrysville, Ave.	Mrs. S. J. White	Penfield	O. E. Henry
Danville Ct.	Julia Campbell	Redmon	John Mason
Findlay	James Kelley	Rossville	Charles Dawson
		White Heath	H. M. Curl

OLNEY DISTRICT.

Fields.	*Delegates.*	*Fields.*	*Delegates.*
Birds	Frank Fitch	Olney Ct.	C. T. Montgomery
Bluford	Wm. Staley	Parkersburg	Harley Adkins
Delhi	Fred Edwards	Robinson	J. E. Wesley
East St. Louis	Effie Carson	Sumner	Fred Harper
Flora	M. M. Boon	St. Francisville	John England
Flora Ct.	Guy Welch	Vienna	R. R. Ridenhower
Lawrenceville	John Greenly	Vergennes	Wm. Quigley
Mt. Vernon	L. S. Wood	West Salem	Levit Smith
New Hebron	W. S. Haskins	Woodlawn	C. N. Howe
Olney	Glenn G. Taylor		

WESTFIELD DISTRICT.

Avena	Perry Davis	Martinsville	Ed. W. Friedenberger
Beecher City	C. W. Bird	Marshall	Emma Friedenberger
Casey	C. C. Fancher	Oblong	L. Gill
Casey Ct.	Wade Arney	Paris	Hiram Brubaker
Clarksburg	Silas Welch	Toledo	J. W. Stitt
Greenup	O. W. Cheney	Vermilion	Lizzie Sheets
Island Grove	Charles Smith	Westfield	L. A. Rider
Johnstown	Henry Parker	Westfield Ct.	James Hutton
Loogootee	Harrison Gray	Yale	Wylie Wiman

CONFERENCE RECORD FROM ORGANIZATION

Time.	*Place.*	*Bishop.*	*Secretaries.*
Mar. 17-21, 1859	Westfield, Ill	Edwards	W. C. Smith.
Mar. 22-25, 1860	New Hebron, Ill	Edwards	W. C. Smith.
Mar. 21-24, 1861	Vermilion, Ill	Edwards	W. C. Smith.
Mar. 13-16, 1862	Westfield, Ill	Edwards	W. C. Smith, S. Mills.
Mar. 26-29, 1863	Centerpoint, Ind.	Edwards	W. C. Smith, S. Mills.
Mar. 31-April 4, 1864	Vermilion, Ill	Edwards	S. Mills, J. W. Nye.
Sept. 8-11, 1864	New Hebron, Ill	Edwards	S. Mills, J. W. Nye.
Sept. 7-—, 1865	Parkersburg, Ill	Weaver	S. Mills, G. W. Keller.
Aug. 22-25, 1866	Westfield, Ill	Weaver	S. Mills, J. W. Nye.
Aug. 27-31, 1867	Prairieton, Ind.	Weaver	S. Mills, J. W. Nye.
Aug. 19-23, 1868	Vermilion, Ill	Weaver	S. Mills, J. W. Nye.
Aug. 19-23, 1869	Westfield, Ill	Edwards	S. Mills, J. W. Nye.
Sept. 14-19, 1870	New Hebron, Ill	Edwards	J. H. Ross, W. C. Smith.
Sept. 6-11, 1871	Terre Haute, Ind.	Edwards	J. H. Ross, S Mills.
Aug. 21-26, 1872	New Goshen, Ind.	Edwards	S. Mills, R. L. Brengle.
Aug. 4-9, 1873	Westfield, Ill	Dickson	S. Mills, R. L. Brengle.
Oct. 8-12, 1874	Prairieton, Ind.	Dickson	S. Mills, W. H. Long.
Sept. 29-Oct. 2, 1875	Vermilion, Ill	Dickson	S. Mills, W. H. Long.
Oct. 4-8, 1876	Middlebury, Ind.	Dickson	S. Mills, H. L. Brengle.
Sept. 26-30, 1877	Centerpoint, Ind.	Weaver	S. Mills, W. H. Long.
Oct. 9-13, 1878	Westfield, Ill.	Weaver	S. Mills, H. L. Brengle.
Oct. 15-19, 1879	Vermilion, Ill	Weaver	S. Mills.
Oct. 6-10, 1880	Centerpoint, Ind.	Weaver	S. Mills, H. L. Brengle.
Sept. 28-Oct. 2, 1881	New Goshen, Ind.	Kephart	S. Mills, R. L. Brengle.
Sept. 6-10, 1882	Parkersburg, Ill.	Kephart	S. Mills, R. L. Brengle.
Sept. 19-23, 1883	Westfield, Ill	Kephart	S. Mills, W. R. Muncie.
Sept. 17-21, 1884	New Hebron, Ill.	Kephart	S. Mills, W. R. Muncie.
Sept. 30-Oct. 4, 1885	Redmon, Ill.	Castle	S. Mills, W. R. Muncie.
Sept. 29-Oct. 3, 1886	Centerpoint, Ind.	Kephart	S. Mills, W. R. Muncie.
Sept. 28-Oct. 2, 1887	New Hebron, Ill.	Weaver	S. Mills, W. R. Muncie.
Sept. 26-30, 1888	Westfield, Ill.	Dickson	S. Mills, W. R. Muncie.
Sept. 25-29, 1889	Clay City, Ind.	Kephart	S. Mills, D. R. Seneff.
Sept. 24-30, 1890	Paris, Ill	Castle	S. Mills, D. R. Seneff.
Aug. 26-30, 1891	Westfield, Ill.	Weaver	S. Mills, W. R. Shuey.
Aug. 31-Sept. 4, 1892	Clay City, Ind.	Dickson	S. Mills, W. R. Shuey.
Aug. 30-Sept. 4, 1893	Terre Haute, Ind.	Hott	S. Mills, W. R. Shuey.
Aug. 29-Sept. 2, 1894	Westfield, Ill.	Castle	S. Mills, W. R. Shuey.
Aug. 28-Sept. 1, 1895	Oblong, Ill.	Kephart	L. H. Cooley, A. D. Markley.
Sept. 9-13, 1896	Paris, Ill.	Mills	L. H. Cooley, A. D. Markley.
Sept. 22-26, 1897	Clay City, Ind.	Weaver	L. H. Cooley, A. D. Markley.
Sept. 21-25, 1898	Terre Haute, Ind.	Castle	L. H. Cooley, A. D. Markley.
Aug. 30-Sept. 3, 1899	Westfield, Ill.	Castle	L. H. Cooley, A. D. Markley.
Sept. 5-9, 1900	Olney, Ill.	Weaver	L. H. Cooley, A. D. Markley.
Sept. 4-8, 1901	Casey, Ill.	Hott	L. H. Cooley, A. D. Markley.
Aug. 27-31, 1902	Oblong, Ill.	Mathews	L. H. Cooley, A. D. Markley.
Aug. 26-30, 1903	Terre Haute, Ind.	Mathews	L. H. Cooley, A. D. Markley.
Aug. 17-21, 1904	Mt. Vernon, Ill.	Mathews	L. H. Cooley, J. A. Hawkins.
Sept. 6-11, 1905	Olney, Ill.	Mathews	Edw. Boley, A. D. Markley.
Aug. 29-Sept. 2, 1906	Westfield, Ill.	Mathews	A. D. Markley, W. L. Perkins.
Aug. 21-25, 1907	Terre Haute, Ind.	Mathews	A. D. Markley, L. H. Cooley.
Aug. 19-23, 1908	Paris, Ill.	Mathews	A. D. Markley, L. H. Cooley.
Aug. 18-22, 1909	Casey, Ill.	Mathews	A. D. Markley, L. H. Cooley.
Sept. 7-11, 1910	Robinson, Ill.	Bell	L. H. Cooley, W. L. Perkins.
Aug. 23-27, 1911	Danville, Ill.	Mathews	L. H. Cooley, C. A. Dwyer.
Aug. 21-25, 1912	St. Francisville, Ill.	Mathews	L. H. Cooley, L. E. Miller.
Aug. 20-24, 1913	Paris, Ill.	Fout	Ev. E. Johnson, L. E. Miller.

FIELD OF LABOR	NAME OF PREACHER	No. Churches Organized	No. New Churches Organized	No. Churches Disorganized	At Beginning of Year	Received by Prof. of Faith.	Received by Letter.	Total in Church. During Year.
Olney District—								
Birds	G. W. Padrick	5	....	....	162	....	....	162
Bluford	B. B. Phelps	5	....	....	389	12	6	407
East St. Louis	P. F. Kettering	1	....	....	14	2	7	23
Flora	I. S. McIver	1	....	....	113	42	....	155
Flora Circuit	T. H. Decker	3	....	....	216	22	2	240
Lawrenceville	J. C. Fowler	2	....	....	181	127	5	313
Mt. Vernon	L. H. Cooley	1	....	....	61	4	....	65
New Hebron	L. J. Pellum	4	....	....	286	7	....	293
Olney	J. B. Connett	1	....	....	339	23	18	380
Olney Circuit	W. R. Muncie	5	....	....	344	34	1	379
Parkersburg	D. C. Ade	5	....	....	303	8	14	325
Robinson	H. M. Tipsword	1	....	....	266	26	5	297
Sumner	H. D. Hudson	4	....	....	432	16	13	461
St. Francisville	O. J. Bogard	3	....	....	344	42	4	390
Vienna	.....	3	....	....	123	....	....	123
Vergennes	W. L. Fear	4	....	....	226	40	13	279
West Salem	W. C. Harbert	4	....	....	341	23	....	364
Woodlawn	Mrs. J. R. Nash	1	....	....	94	24	....	118
Delhi	J. B. Fisher	2	1	....	53	9	18	80
	District Summary	55	1		4287	461	106	4854
Westfield District—								
Avena	J. E. Sibert	4	....	....	226	5	9	240
Beecher City	F. A. Roberts	3	....	....	143	19	....	162
Casey	G. W. Bonebrake	1	....	....	221	80	12	313
Casey Circuit	H. S. Reese	4	....	....	229	17	....	246
Clarksburg	.....	4	....	....	161	....	....	161
Greenup	G. W. Reid	6	....	....	111	22	....	133
Island Grove	.....	3	....	....	164	....	....	164
Johnstown	R. L. Webber	2	....	....	132	10	....	142
Loogootee	J. E. Spencer	4	....	....	178	4	....	182
Martinsville	H. A. Bogard	5	....	....	390	30	....	420
Marshall	E. M. Pierson	1	....	....	90	11	....	101
Oblong	Curtis Williams	2	1	....	141	90	10	241
Paris	F. H. King	1	....	....	197	16	6	219
Toledo	L. E. Miller	3	....	....	167	4	....	171
Vermilion	B. C. Peters	2	....	....	132	9	4	145
Westfield	J. G. Breden	1	....	....	234	2	8	244
Westfield Circuit	Arthur Belden	4	....	....	255	80	2	337
Yale	G. W. Ball	5	....	....	341	17	1	359
	District Summary	55	1	....	3512	416	52	3980
Danville District—								
Ashmore	.....	3	....	....	151	....	....	151
Broadlands	H. A. McBride	2	....	....	153	6	....	159
Chesterville	N. E. Royer	1	....	....	163	10	3	176
Charleston	Everett E. Johnson	1	....	....	30	22	13	65
Danville First	J. T. McCreery	1	....	....	232	24	8	264
Danville Perrysville Ave.	S. D. Bowman	1	....	....	70	6	....	76
Danville Circuit	S. O. Stoltz	3	....	....	273	25	5	303
Findlay	B. N. Sypolt	2	....	....	134	56	....	190
Fisher	M. L. Watson	2	....	....	170	....	5	175
Galton	C. N. Gladwell	3	....	....	101	6	50	157
Locus Grove	J. F. Fowler	1	....	....	140	5	....	145
Oakwood	E. E. Bundy	4	....	....	196	30	6	232
Potomac	T. D. Spyker	2	....	....	185	13	1	199
Penfield	H. W. Broadstone	2	....	....	115	6	....	121
Redmon	W. L. Blackwell	3	....	....	300	1	5	306
Rossville	R. Griffin	3	....	....	220	25	8	253
White Heath	C. O. Myers	4	....	....	192	1	58	251
	District Summary	38	....	....	2825	236	162	3223
	Grand Total	148	2	....	10,624	1113	320	12,057

Died.	All other losses.	Total Loss.	Present Number.	Increase.	Decrease.	Young People's Societies.	Members.	Junior Societies	Members.	Brotherhoods.	Members	Sunday Schools.	Teachers and Officers.	Scholars in Main Schools.	Scholars in Home Dept.	Number in Cradle Roll	Total Enrollment.
....	....	....	162	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	4	50	300	25	75	350
1	....	1	406	17	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	5	53	337	....	15	405
....	4	4	19	5	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
2	20	22	133	20	....	1	101	1	65	....	....	1	16	118	12	57	187
4	13	17	223	7	....	3	80	....	....	....	....	3	23	190	....	....	223
1	23	24	289	108	....	2	179	1	53	....	....	2	37	257	....	165	459
....	3	3	62	1	....	1	35	1	20	....	....	1	11	50	10	23	94
5	11	16	277	....	9	....	....	....	....	....	....	4	52	288	18	89	447
4	60	64	316	....	23	1	62	1	67	....	....	1	28	289	45	92	470
3	27	30	349	33	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
3	10	13	312	9	....	1	43	....	....	....	....	5	55	307	23	26	411
2	54	56	241	....	25	1	45	1	62	....	....	1	20	225	40	54	340
4	6	10	451	19	....	1	37	1	35	....	....	4	59	412	26	37	534
4	1	5	385	41	....	....	75	....	61	....	....	3	58	300	....	21	400
....	....	....	123	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
1	9	10	269	43	....	2	90	....	....	....	....	4	38	250	....	58	346
2	13	15	349	8	....	1	25	1	12	....	....	4	50	200	....	....	250
....	1	1	117	23	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	15	252	....	40	307
....	17	17	63	10	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	6	39	....	....	45
36	272	308	4546	316	57	14	772	7	375	....	....	44	571	3814	199	720	5268
4	76	80	160	....	66	....	....	....	....	....	....	3	30	135	....	....	165
....	2	2	160	17	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	2	11	121	....	....	132
6	9	15	298	77	....	1	28	1	60	....	....	1	20	320	28	22	380
....	33	33	203	....	33	....	....	....	....	....	....	4	48	205	....	22	262
....	....	....	161	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
1	....	1	132	21	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	2	12	100	....	....	112
....	....	....	164	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
....	3	3	139	7	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	2	18	65	....	....	83
3	37	30	152	....	26	....	....	....	....	....	....	4	35	170	....	35	230
7	24	41	379	....	11	1	20	....	....	....	....	5	48	261	12	20	341
....	3	3	98	8	....	1	34	1	60	....	....	1	24	72	18	12	126
2	9	11	230	89	....	1	24	1	45	....	....	2	30	180	....	45	255
3	2	5	214	17	....	1	35	1	40	....	....	1	19	157	30	31	237
....	5	5	166	....	1	1	19	....	....	....	....	3	29	164	16	72	281
2	3	5	140	8	....	1	18	....	....	....	....	2	27	160	32	11	203
1	13	14	230	....	4	1	60	1	53	....	....	1	26	381	40	65	512
2	26	28	309	54	....	1	87	....	....	....	....	4	45	225	....	....	279
1	32	33	326	....	16	....	....	....	....	....	....	5	50	260	....	....	310
32	232	314	3666	298	162	9	325	5	258	....	....	42	472	2976	176	335	3908
....	....	....	151	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
....	10	10	149	....	4	1	20	1	15	....	....	2	31	181	....	....	212
4	6	10	166	3	....	1	96	1	30	1	24	1	18	175	....	24	227
....	6	6	59	29	....	1	12	1	22	1	10	1	15	71	10	25	121
....	17	17	247	15	....	1	32	1	42	1	25	1	28	195	21	22	266
2	1	3	73	3	....	1	27	1	20	....	....	1	10	68	8	16	92
2	8	10	293	20	....	1	50	....	....	....	....	3	43	200	25	30	298
1	22	23	167	33	....	1	31	2	45	....	....	2	28	270	....	7	305
2	10	12	163	....	7	1	22	....	....	....	9	2	18	....	....	21	120
1	1	2	155	54	....	1	25	1	15	....	....	3	38	220	15	25	288
....	1	1	144	4	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	19	125	....	28	172
3	43	46	186	....	20	2	80	1	20	....	....	3	50	200	30	35	315
5	8	13	186	2	....	1	15	....	....	....	....	2	27	160	7	24	218
1	7	8	113	....	2	2	36	....	....	....	....	2	24	150	4	33	211
2	34	36	220	....	30	2	60	....	....	....	....	3	35	290	78	47	450
2	23	25	228	8	....	2	35	1	35	....	....	3	19	185	30	40	274
2	20	22	229	37	....	1	65	1	25	....	....	4	39	157	24	20	240
27	217	244	2979	208	63	18	606	11	269	3	68	34	442	2647	252	397	3809
95	771	866	11191	822	282	41	1703	23	902	3	68	120	1485	9437	627	1452	12985

	Average Attendance.	No. Adult Bible Classes.	Scholars in Ad't Bible Classes.	Sunday-school Libraries.	Volumes in Libraries.	Added Church from S. S.	Religious Telescope	W tchword.	Friend for Boys and Girls.	Otterbein Teacher.	Otterbein Adult Quarterly.	Otterbein Senior Quarterly.	Otterbein Int. Quarterly.
Olney District—													
Birds	....	....	....	....	....	....	18	25	55	5	75	200	15
Bluford	....	10	....	....	....	13	27	27	45	12	100	130	87
East St. Louis	....	....	....	....	....	....	5	1	....	....	....	....	....
Flora	....	3	50	....	....	17	5	40	....	8	....	100	20
Flora Circuit	....	....	....	....	....	....	24	32	....	12	....	140	75
Lawrenceville	....	6	120	....	....	35	29	80	30	19	....	100	100
Mt. Vernon	....	....	....	....	....	3	9	15	25	5	....	25	25
New Hebron	....	....	....	1	12	....	33	50	20	9	....	200	120
Olney	....	5	81	....	....	19	51	17	....	....	100	140	20
Olney Circuit	....	....	....	....	....	....	28	10	....	....	6	....	....
Parkersburg	....	....	....	....	....	8	26	52	....	....	....	195	80
Robinson	....	2	45	....	....	16	21	60	....	6	50	55	10
Sumner	....	11	125	....	....	....	45	75	30	26	....	230	125
St. Francisville	....	7	110	....	....	20	52	80	30	30	100	75	60
Vienna	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Vergennes	....	....	....	....	....	....	28	11	30	16	....	126	99
West Salem	....	13	....	....	....	....	22	20	....	15	20	160	80
Woodlawn	....	3	125	....	....	24	10	5	....	5	25	40	25
Delhi	....	....	....	....	....	....	8	....	10	....	10	....	15
District Summary	....	60	656	1	12	155	441	600	275	168	486	1916	956
Westfield District—													
Avena	120	....	....	....	....	3	12	....	16	4	....	130	55
Beecher City	....	....	....	....	....	....	15	22	8	....	....	70	42
Casey	195	5	140	....	....	80	22	125	65	12	40	160	80
Casey Circuit	....	7	76	....	....	....	10	....	18	..	69	....	80
Clarksburg	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Greenup	....	....	....	....	....	....	10	....	12	3	80	24	....
Island Grove	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Johnstown	....	....	....	....	....	....	12	....	12	....	....	70	30
Loogootee	....	1	16	1	20	2	12	1	30	25	75	90	10
Martinsville	....	4	....	....	....	15	44	60	....	18	....	135	65
Marshall	....	3	42	....	....	11	12	31	18	....	....	70	18
Oblong	95	5	....	....	....	22	19	80	30	....	16	70	60
Paris	....	7	123	....	....	16	27	50	....	6	80	....	....
Toledo	....	4	80	....	....	3	20	25	45	4	25	55	45
Vermilion	....	2	6	....	....	6	23	11	35	12	....	75	22
Westfield	....	6	275	....	....	....	30	12	....	....	160	60	50
Westfield Circuit	....	....	....	....	....	74	24	15	4	....	105	69	....
Yale	....	5	123	....	....	16	14	14	43	5	....	65	50
District Summary	410	49	881	1	20	248	306	446	336	87	650	1143	607
Danville District—													
Ashmore	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Broadlands	....	5	93	....	....	6	6	....	15	8	45	35	85
Chesterville	....	4	60	....	....	10	5	5	20	10	45	45	25
Charleston	....	2	22	1	6	18	4	6	50	3	35	....	10
Danville First	....	5	80	1	8	15	26	8	40	6	35	35	....
Danville Perrysville Ave	....	....	....	....	....	2	8	7	18	6	....	20	12
Danville Circuit	....	8	100	....	....	20	34	54	15	5	24	130	70
Findlay	....	....	....	....	....	....	9	17	10	....	190	....	....
Fisher	....	6	60	....	....	2	13	5	27	4	12	60	65
Galton	....	6	60	....	....	....	11	15	....	4	....	75	30
Locus Grove	90	....	....	....	....	....	19	....	....	8	50	60	30
Oakwood	....	6	80	....	....	20	12	20	....	8	....	75	30
Potomac	....	2	20	....	....	....	22	70	30	15	....	130	30
Penfield	....	....	....	....	....	....	11	55	....	12	....	80	55
Redmon	....	3	27	....	....	4	14	54	....	12	....	225	75
Rossville	....	4	45	....	....	21	28	40	30	13	45	40	38
White Heath	....	1	18	....	....	1	15	25	....	20	....	130	50
District Summary	90	52	665	2	14	119	237	381	255	134	481	1140	605
Grand Total	500	161	2202	4	46	522	984	1427	866	389	1617	4199	2168

Otterbein Home Dept. Quarterly.	Weekly Bible Lesson Leaves.	Lessons for Our Juniors.	Graded Series Beginners.	Graded Series Primary.	Graded Series Juniors.	Woman's Evangel.	Froeliche Botschafter.	Jugend Pilger.	Pastor's Salary Paid by Charge	Missionary Appropriation.	Presents Received.	Value of Parsonage Rent.
25	100	60	....	....	....	....	....	....	$ 539 00	$	$ 40 00	$ 50 00
....	30	35	....	....	....	....	....	....	449 79	.....	54 40	78 00
....	....	....	....	....	....	3	....	....	1062 00	.....	7 00	.....
....	35	35	....	....	....	....	....	....	425 00	275 00	50 00	76 00
....	26	45	....	....	....	....	....	....	430 00	.....	85 00	75 00
....	....	50	....	....	....	13	....	....	700 00	300 00	25 00	.....
10	....	20	....	....	....	3	....	....	303 83	500 00	8 45	.....
15	20	45	....	....	....	5	....	....	710 00	.....	50 00	150 00
65	10	....	25	25	25	38	....	....	832 00	.....	46 00	200 00
....	....	....	....	....	10	3	....	....	530 00	.....	10 00	50 00
....	67	60	....	....	....	....	....	....	680 44	.....	75 00	100 00
40	30	....	20	50	40	35	....	....	665 00	.....	99 00	100 00
25	....	55	....	....	....	8	....	....	800 00	.....	12 00	150 00
....	50	70	....	....	....	11	....	....	825 00	.....	75 00	150 00
....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....
....	40	45	....	....	....	....	....	....	281 54	.....	26 00	42 00
....	30	55	....	....	....	....	....	....	592 00	.....	21 00	.....
....	30	25	....	....	....	....	....	....	264 00	150 00	20 00	.....
....	10	15	....	....	....	....	....	....	356 27	50 00	.....	.....
180	478	615	45	75	75	122	....	....	10445 87	1275 00	703 85	1221 00
....	25	35	....	....	....	1	....	....	450 00	.....	35 00	60 00
....	15	35	....	....	....	....	....	....	172 40	.....	43 10	35 00
30	50	30	....	....	....	25	....	....	1000 00	.....	54 00	180 00
....	37	45	....	....	....	....	....	....	570 00	.....	102 00	100 00
....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....
....	....	24	....	....	....	....	....	....	142 79	.....	.....	.....
....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....
....	....	10	....	....	....	....	....	....	263 53	.....	18 35	.....
2	20	20	....	....	....	....	....	....	500 00	.....	20 00	100 00
....	20	10	....	....	....	....	....	....	765 75	.....	90 00	.....
15	15	10	....	....	....	....	....	....	501 14	300 00	134 75	100 00
....	35	20	....	....	....	10	....	....	786 00	.....	75 00	150 00
20	....	22	15	25	22	12	....	....	1000 00	.....	75 00	150 00
12	25	21	....	....	....	7	....	....	462 60	250 00	69 65	100 00
20	22	22	....	....	....	....	....	....	600 00	.....	15 00	100 00
40	13	40	....	....	....	60	....	....	800 00	.....	50 00	120 00
....	30	47	....	....	....	....	....	....	450 11	.....	67 25	.....
....	8	60	....	....	....	....	....	....	500 00	.....	11 45	75 00
139	315	451	15	25	22	115	....	....	8964 32	550 00	861 20	1270 00
....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....
10	45	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	450 42	.....	5 00	90 00
....	50	20	....	....	....	5	....	....	625 00	.....	60 00	100 00
15	....	18	15	12	12	....	....	....	200 00	800 00	7 00	.....
21	....	55	....	20	20	17	....	....	700 00	300 00	39 00	144 00
10	10	20	....	....	....	....	....	....	180 63	175 00	.....	.....
20	100	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	822 76	.....	15 00	.....
....	....	40	....	....	....	....	....	....	500 00	200 00	85 00	108 00
....	....	27	....	....	....	8	....	....	554 00	.....	112 94	100 00
15	60	30	....	....	....	....	....	....	700 00	.....	230 00	100 00
....	30	30	....	....	....	14	....	....	650 00	.....	.....	100 00
20	20	20	....	....	....	2	....	....	623 35	.....	40 00	60 00
....	....	20	....	....	....	1	....	....	700 00	.....	60 00	100 00
....	20	40	....	....	....	1	....	....	661 20	.....	25 00	.....
76	....	60	....	....	....	32	....	....	700 00	.....	27 24	100 00
30	40	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	850 00	.....	10 00	120 00
24	....	50	....	....	....	....	....	....	465 64	.....	8 00	120 00
241	375	430	15	22	22	80	....	....	9382 36	1475 00	724 18	1242 00
760	1168	1496	75	122	166	317	....	....	28792 55	3300 00	2289 23	3733 00

FIELD OF LABOR	Total Received by Pastor.	Presiding Elder's Salary.	Collected for Local Current Expenses.	For Church and Parsonage Buildings.	Collected for Local S. S. Purposes.	Coll cted for Ho.ne Missions	Special for Home Missions
Olney District—							
Birds	$ 629 00	$ 60 00	$ 20 00	$ 325 00	$ 200 00	$.....	$.....
Bluford	582 19	66 15	136 60	790 00	134 92	.....	.....
East St. Louis	1062 00	20 00	.....	1896 37	.....	5 00	.....
Flora	822 00	30 00	197 50	1043 16	147 46	.....	.....
Flora Circuit	590 00	58 00	100 00	350 00	80 00	.....	63 00
Lawrenceville	1025 00	45 00	280 00	375 00	125 00	.....	20 00
Mt. Vernon	802 28	38 00	19 00	.....	52 50	6 00	10 00
New Hebron	910 00	76 00	220 00	.....	173 25	20 00	.....
Olney	1078 00	70 00	475 00	871 00	164 61	60 00	.....
Olney Circuit	590 00	72 70	125 00	1849 25	96 00	10 00	.....
Parkersburg	855 44	80 00	122 00	742 00	187 00	20 00	.....
Robinson	864 00	65 00	431 00	.....	139 57	30 15	.....
Sumner	962 00	80 00	557 00	5000 00	380 00	30 00	.....
St. Francisville	1150 00	78 00	325 00	750 00	350 00	52 50	.....
Vienna	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Vergennes	349 54	60 00	260 34	684 77	118 76	6 00	.....
West Salem	613 00	68 05	190 00	420 00	75 00	176 42	.....
Woodlawn	434 00	25 00	74 45	.....	42 73	1 00	.....
Delhi	406 27	25 00	26 00	.....	15 00	.....	.....
District Summary	13729 72	1016 90	3558 89	15026 55	2480 00	417 07	93 00
Westerfield District—							
Avena	545 00	42 00	77 25	.....	53 50	10 50	.....
Beecher cCity	250 50	28 50	40 00	206 12	.....	2 00	.....
Casey	1234 00	70 00	270 00	50 00	378 45	18 00	.....
Casey Circuit	772 00	58 71	108 00	.....	125 08	5 00	.....
Clarksburg	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Greenip	142 79	.....	25 00	.....	18 00	.....	.....
Island Grove	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Johnstown	281 83	18 00	32 00	.....	26 00	.....	.....
Loogootee	620 00	64 00	100 00	75 00	120 00	4 07	.....
Martinsville	855 75	90 00	195 00	85 00	162 00	5 00	.....
Marshall	1035 89	34 00	75 00	146 35	85 77	.....	89 82
Oblong	1011 00	50 00	96 00	.....	130 00	8 00	.....
Paris	1225 00	70 00	125 00	100 00	148 23	60 47	.....
Toledo	882 25	56 00	110 00	152 55	80 00	4 00	.....
Vermillion	715 00	62 00	362 00	.....	90 00	32 75	55 00
Westfield	970 00	82 00	400 00	4129 70	175 20	91 13	71 15
Westfield Circuit	517 36	45 00	143 24	.....	57 32	7 85	.....
Yale	586 45	75 00	151 54	102 05	139 00	3 00	.....
District Summary	11645 82	845 21	2310 03	5046 22	1788 55	251 77	215 97
Danville District—							
Ashmore	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Broadlands	545 42	70 00	56 00	125 00	92 81	5 00	.....
Chesterville	785 00	42 00	109 00	16 20	100 00	.....	5 00
Charleston	1007 00	22 00	219 59	350 35	69 20	5 00	.....
Danville First	1183 00	62 00	323 58	.....	156 52	29 28	.....
Danville Perrysville Ave	230 63	22 00	34 35	135 00	35 37	23 27	.....
Danville Circuit	837 76	82 00	350 00	1100 00	100 00	22 50	.....
Findlay	893 00	52 00	92 96	216 17	41 79	19 60	.....
Fisher	766 94	59 60	125 27	345 87	50 00	.....	30 00
Galton	1030 00	64 00	225 00	205 00	195 00	10 00	40 00
Locus Grove	750 00	64 00	170 00	365 00	60 00	10 00	.....
Oakwood	723 35	67 50	102 33	105 65	75 00	5 00	.....
Potomac	860 00	76 00	140 00	25 00	130 00	20 00	.....
Penfield	686 20	60 00	75 00	.....	115 60	5 25	.....
Redmon	827 24	82 00	200 00	4318 50	200 00	.....	125 00
Rossville	980 00	76 00	185 00	.....	130 00	15 00	.....
White Heath	593 60	50 00	100 00	17 00	106 30	.....	5 00
District Summary	12698 54	951 10	2508 08	7324 74	1657 59	169 90	205 00
Grand Total	38074 08	2813 21	8377 00	27397 51	5926 14	838 74	513 74

Total for Home Missions.	Collected for Foreign Missions.	Special for Foreign Missions.	Total for Foreign	Missions. Woman's Missionary Assoc.	Conference Church Extension.	Church Erection	Church Erection Special.	Parsonage Erection.	Sunday-School General Fund.	Y. P. S. C. E. General Fund.
$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$ 4 00	$
5 00	5 00		5 00		20 00	2 00			1 00	
					30 00				1 00	
63 00		3 00	3 00			60 00	5 81			
20 00		21 00	21 00	17 06	45 00				3 00	
16 00	5 00		5 00		4 30	6 82			3 00	
20 00	6 40		6 40		30 00					
60 00	44 51	9 01	53 52	62 00	75 00	5 40			4 00	
10 00	5 00		5 00		57 00				3 00	
20 00	13 50		13 50		75 26	4 12			3 00	4 35
30 15	57 66		57 66	60 65	72 00	3 60			4 00	4 00
30 00	34 90		34 90		90 00					
52 50	50 00		50 00	42 30	100 00				6 00	
6 00	7 00		7 00		13 00					
176 42	25 00		25 00		60 00					
1 00	4 32		4 32		15 00				1 00	
510 07	258 29	33 01	291 30	182 01	686 56	81 94	5 81		33 00	8 35
10 50	9 50		9 50		25 00	4 50			2 00	
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18 00	18 00		18 00	93 75	69 25	16 00			4 00	1 00
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5 00	5 00		5 00	30 98	60 00	5 00			2 00	1 00
89 82		20 85	20 85	46 91	38 00	9 80			2 00	2 00
8 00	12 25	4 00	16 25		14 00				4 00	
60 47	31 92	6 49	38 41	44 42	75 00	8 00				
4 00	4 00		4 00	13 90	40 00	5 00			2 00	
87 75	40 00		40 00	91 98	67 00	10 00			1 00	1 50
162 28	101 50	16 91	118 41	295 47	90 00				5 00	
7 85	2 75		2 75		8 02	2 00				
3 00	3 00		3 00		42 00	8 00				
467 74	237 92	48 25	286 17	617 41	546 77	85 30			22 00	5 50
5 00	5 00		5 00		15 00				5 00	
5 00		5 00	5 00	35 00	35 00	40 00			1 00	
5 00	5 00		5 00		15 00	2 32			1 00	
29 28	25 00		25 00	17 70	175 00	13 00			4 00	5 03
23 27	23 47		23 47	46 00	15 00	3 30			1 00	
22 50	50 00		50 00	35 00	82 00				4 00	
16 60	26 54		26 54		28 80	9 07	15 00		1 50	
30 00		10 00	10 00	5 65	15 00		21 00	7 17		
50 00	10 00	18 00	28 00		60 00				4 00	
10 00	22 25		22 25	50 00	12 96	10 25				
5 00	5 00		5 00		10 00	8 28				
20 00	20 00		20 00		85 00	9 00			4 00	
5 25	5 00		5 00		30 00	5 50			2 58	
125 00				114 56					5 00	
15 00	6 00	10 00	16 00		82 00	14 00			1 00	
5 00		5 00	5 00		25 00	5 76				
374 90	203 26	48 00	251 26	274 76	685 76	120 48	36 00	7 17	34 08	5 03
1352 71	699 47	129 26	828 73	1074 18	1919 09	287 72	41 81	7 17	99 08	18 88

FIELD OF LABOR	Children's Day Offering.	Bishop's Salary	Preacher's Aid.	Preacher's Aid for Conference.	Beneficiary Education.	Bonebrake Theological Seminary.	Contributions to Colleges Seminary, etc.	Westfield College Assessment.
Olney District—								
Birds	3 00	18 00	.....	6 00	.....	.....	.....	20 00
Bluford	.....	10 00	.....	8 00	.....	.....	.....	10 00
East St. Louis	.....	3 00	.....	1 00	.....	1 00	.....	4 00
Flora	.....	8 00	.....	3 00	1 00	.....	.....	.....
Flora Circuit	.....	12 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lawrenceville	8 17	10 00	.....	4 00	2 00	5 00	.....	15 00
Mt. Vernon	.....	6 00	.....	6 00	2 00	5 00	.....	12 00
New Hebron	.....	22 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25 00
Olney	.....	20 00	.....	7 00	3 00	8 00	.....	.....
Olney Circuit	.....	20 00	.....	5 00	.....	5 00	.....	5 00
Parkersburg	4 37	18 00	.....	9 00	1 00	6 20	.....	5 00
Robinson	.....	18 00	.....	6 00	3 00	7 00	.....	25 00
Sumner	7 00	24 00	.....	8 00	4 00	8 00	.....	35 00
St. Francisville	.....	24 00	.....	9 00	4 00	9 00	.....	35 00
Vienna	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Vergennes	.....	6 00	.....	1 00	.....	2 00	.....	2 58
West Salem	.....	20 00	.....	7 00	.....	5 00	.....	13 00
Woodlawn	.....	4 00	.....	1 00	.....	2 00	.....	2 00
Delhi	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
District Summary	22 54	243 00	.....	81 00	20 00	63 20	.....	208 58
Westfield District—								
Avena	2 75	14 00	.....	2 00	2 00	3 00	.....	5 50
Beecher City	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Casey	.....	24 00	.....	5 00	3 00	7 00	.....	20 00
Casey Circuit	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	5 00
Clarksburg	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Greenup	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Island Grove	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Johnstown	.....	1 00	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	1 00
Loogootee	1 50	8 00	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Martinsville	2 00	26 00	.....	2 00	.....	3 00	.....	15 00
Marshall	.....	10 00	.....	3 00	.....	5 00	.....	10 00
Oblong	.....	14 00	.....	3 00	2 00	4 00	.....	10 00
Paris	2 14	18 00	.....	7 00	3 00	7 00	.....	4 00
Toledo	1 00	10 00	.....	3 00	1 50	3 50	6 20	7 50
Vermillion	2 60	16 00	.....	6 00	2 00	.....	.....	.....
Westfield	4 61	22 50	.....	8 00	4 00	9 00	.....	35 00
Westfield Circuit	2 59	8 00	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	4 00
Yale	2 25	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
District Summary	2144	186 00	.....	41 00	17 50	47 50	6 20	117 00
Danville District—								
Ashmore	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Broadlands	2 55	15 00	.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	5 00
Chesterville	3 60	10 00	.....	1 00	.....	1 00	.....	10 00
Charleston	.....	4 00	.....	1 00	1 00	1 00	.....	4 00
Danville First	2 58	18 00	.....	3 00	8 00	8 00	.....	20 00
Danville Perrysville Ave	2 02	3 00	.....	1 00	1 00	1 00	.....	4 00
Danville Circuit	13 85	20 00	.....	7 00	3 00	8 00	.....	25 00
Findlay	.....	10 00	2 00	.....	1 45	2 50	.....	9 93
Fisher	1 00	18 00	.....	.....	4 00	7 00	.....	10 00
Galton	6 50	12 00	.....	6 00	3 00	6 00	.....	13 00
Locus Grove	1 00	18 00	.....	6 00	3 00	4 00	.....	.....
Oakwood	2 00	12 00	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Potomac	.....	22 00	.....	8 00	2 00	7 00	.....	25 00
Penfield	.....	5 00	.....	3 00	1 00	1 00	.....	.....
Redmon	4 16	22 00	.....	8 00	3 00	8 00	.....	25 00
Rossville	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	.....	13 00
White Heath	4 30	8 00	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	2 00
District Summary	43 56	197 00	2 00	49 00	30 45	62 50	.....	165 93
Grand Total	87 54	626 00	2 00	171 00	67 95	173 20	6 20	491 51

Annual Conference Expense Fund.	General Conference Expense Fund.	For East St. Louis.	Total for all Purposes.	No. Church Houses.	No. Parsonage.	Built this Year.	Value of Church House and Grounds.	Debt on Church.	Value of Parsonage and Lot.	Debt on Parsonage.	Total.
6 00	1 00	.....	1,231 00	5	1	....	$ 55,00	.....	1,200	.....	6,700
.....	5 00	3 50	3,177 94	....	1	....	.....	.....	1,500	250	1,500
2 00	.....	.....	1,938 37	....	1	....	.....	.....	2,500	715	2,500
2 00	1 00	.....	2,264 69	1	....	....	2,000	125	1,200	400	3,200
8 00	1 30	.....	1,299 61	3	1	....	3,700	.....	1,300	.....	5,000
5 00	1 50	.....	2,055 32	2	1	....	11,000	650	2,500	1,000	13,500
5 00	1 00	.....	1,383 74	1	....	....	2,000	.....	.....	.....	2,000
7 00	.....	28 00	1,417 71	4	1	....	8,500	.....	1,000	.....	9,500
6 00	2 50	62 00	3,042 76	1	1	....	7,500	1,500	3,500	350	11,000
.....	14 00	24 00	3,000 20	5	1	1	1,800	200	450	.....	2,250
7 00	2 00	45 00	2,156 71	5	1	....	4,400	.....	1,000	.....	5,400
6 00	2 50	42 25	1,996 14	1	1	....	4,500	.....	1,600	.....	6,100
7 00	2 50	.....	7,109 80	5	1	1	1,000	.....	1,700	.....	2,700
8 00	2 50	.....	2,813 30	3	....	....	11,500	.....	.....	.....	11,500
.....	.....	.....	.....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
3 00	2 00	.....	1,707 21	4	1	1	5,000	345	1200	.....	6,200
.....	2 50	.....	1,241 97	4	....	....	4,000	.....	.....	.....	4,000
2 00	1 50	.....	468 36	1	....	....	1,200	.....	.....	.....	1,200
.....	.....	.....	436 77	1	....	....	2,500	.....	.....	.....	2,500
74 00	42 80	204 75	38,741 42	46	12	3	76,100	2,820	20,65	2,715	96,750
5 00	1 50	50 00	857 00	4	1	....	3,175	.....	650	.....	3,825
.....	.....	.....	506 51	3	1	....	3,200	.....	400	.....	3,600
5 00	7 50	25 00	3,287 95	1	1	....	5,000	.....	2,500	.....	7,500
5 00	5 00	.....	1,036 74	4	1	....	4,000	.....	1,000	700	5,000
.....	.....	.....	.....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	185 79	6	....	....	4,000	.....	.....	.....	4,000
.....	.....	.....	.....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	367 83	2	....	....	2,200	.....	.....	.....	2,200
.....	.....	.....	817 07	4	2	....	4,000	.....	1,500	.....	5,500
5 00	5 00	.....	1,883 60	6	....	....	8,900	.....	.....	.....	8,900
.....	2 00	.....	1,635 39	1	1	....	3,000	.....	3,000	300	6,000
6 00	4 00	.....	1,381 25	1	1	....	2,150	.....	1,150	.....	3,300
6 00	2 50	32 00	2,022 67	1	1	....	6,000	400	2,000	200	8,000
3 00	1 50	.....	1,048 80	3	1	....	7,400	831	815	.....	8,215
6 00	.....	.....	1,704 08	2	1	....	4,000	.....	1,300	.....	5,300
7 00	1 50	80 00	6,615 17	1	1	....	10,000	.....	1,500	.....	115,00
.....	.....	.....	799 23	4	....	....	4,700	.....	.....	.....	4,700
6 00	.....	.....	1,113 49	5	1	...	5,000	.....	725	.....	5,725
54 00	40 50	187 00	25,316 57	48	13	....	76,725	1,231	16,540	1,200	93,263
.....	.....	.....	.....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
3 00	.....	.....	1,062 68	2	....	....	3,000	.....	750	.....	3,750
1 00	1 50	50 00	1,253 65	1	1	....	1,760	.....	1,700	125	3,460
2 00	1 00	.....	1,710 46	1	....	1	1,555	625	.....	.....	1,555
6 00	2 00	12 62	2,080 06	1	1	....	9,500	.....	1,500	.....	11,000
2 00	.....	12 50	780 00	1	....	....	2,000	375	.....	.....	2,000
7 00	2 50	20 00	2,997 00	3	....	....	7,800	800	.....	.....	7,800
2 50	4 60	.....	1,428 41	2	1	....	2,900	28	900	.....	3,800
2 00	.....	.....	1,479 85	2	1	....	2,500	.....	1,100	.....	3,600
5 00	2 00	.....	1,936 50	3	1	....	6,000	.....	.....	.....	6,000
3 00	4 00	.....	1,553 46	1	1	....	2,000	.....	1,620	.....	3,620
7 00	5 83	.....	1,182 04	4	1	....	5,900	75	900	.....	6,800
7 00	.....	.....	1,572 00	2	1	....	4,700	.....	1,300	.....	6,000
5 00	8 00	.....	1,022 13	2	....	....	2,600	.....	.....	.....	2,600
.....	5 00	.....	6,070 20	3	1	1	13,800	1,470	1,200	.....	14,000
6 00	2 00	.....	1,415 75	3	1	....	4,725	.....	1,600	.....	6,325
6 00	.....	.....	814 06	4	1	....	3,900	.....	1,500	.....	4,400
64 50	38 43	95 12	28,357 75	35	11	2	74,640	3,373	14,070	125	86,710
192 50	121 73	486 87	92,415 74	129	36	5	227,465	74 24 51 260		4,040	276,725

FIELD OF LABOR	Net Value.	Months Employed.	No. Minutes Wanted.	Evangelistic	Dayton Flood	Otterbein Home	Cowden Memorial	Mt. Vernon	Kiyoshi Yaba
Olney District—									
Birds	6,700	12	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bluford	1,250	12	25	.....	12 00	12 00	.....	.....	.....
East Saint Louis	1,785	12	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Flora	2,675	12	40	65 00	4 38	7 84	.....	.....	.....
Flora Circuit	5,000	12	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lawrenceville	11,850	12	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Vernon	2,000	12	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
New Hebron	9,500	12	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Olney	9,150	12	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Olney Circuit	2,050	12	60	117 00	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....
Parkersburg	5,400	12	50	.....	18 11	21 35	.....	.....	.....
Robinson	6,100	9½	20	.....	.....	.....	4 20	.....	.....
Sumner	2,700	12	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
St. Francisville	11,500	12	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Vienna	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Vergennes	5,855	7	50	188 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
West Salem	4,000	12	60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Woodlawn	1,200	12	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Delhi	2,500	12	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
District Summary	91,215	208½	697	370 00	34 49	51 19	4 20	.....	.....
Westfield District									
Avena	3,825	12	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Beecher City	3,600	7	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Casey	7,500	12	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Casey Circuit	4,300	12	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Clarksburg	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Greenup	4,000	7	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Island Grove	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Johnstown	2,200	12	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Loogootee	5,500	12	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Martinsville	8,900	12	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Marshall	5,700	12	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Oblong	3,300	12	40	.....	.....	49 00	.....	.....	.....
Paris	7,400	12	50	.....	.....	23 00	.....	.....	.....
Toledo	7,384	12	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Vermilion	5,300	12	38	75 00	43 75	63 00	.....	.....	.....
Westfield	11,500	12	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Westfield Circuit	4,700	12	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Yale	5,725	12	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
District Summary	90,834	182	548	75 00	43 75	135 00	.....	.....	.....
Danville District—									
Ashmore	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Broadlands	3,750	9	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Chesterville	3,335	12	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Charleston	930	12	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Danville First	11,000	12	25	.....	.....	57 00	.....	4 00	.....
Danville Perrysville Ave	1,925	12	10	47 50	3 00	10 00	.....	.....	6 00
Danville Circuit	7,000	12	40	.....	31 50	65 00	.....	.....	14 00
Findlay	3,772	12	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Fisher	3,600	12	25	47 46	21 00	25 00	7 36	.....	.....
Galton	6,000	12	40	30 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Locus Grove	3,620	12	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Oakwood	6,725	12	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Potomac	6,000	12	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Penfield	2,600	12	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Redmon	12,130	12	40	.....	35 55	.....	.....	.....	.....
Rossville	6,325	12	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
White Heath	4,400	12	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	.....
District Summary	83,112	189	472	124 96	91 05	157 00	7 36	14 00	20 00
Grand Total	265,161	579½	1,717	569 96	169 29	343 19	11 57	14 00	20 00

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS

Organized churches, 135.

Itinerants, 79; local preachers, 7. Total, 86.

Members at beginning of year 10,431; end of year, 11,191; gain, 760.

Christian Endeavor Societies, 41; members, 1,703; Junior C. E. Societies, 23; members, 902.

Sunday Schools, 120; enrollment, 9,437; teachers and officers, 1,485; loss in enrollment, 4,587.

Telescopes taken, 984; loss, 58; Watchwords taken, 1,427; Woman's Evangels taken, 317.

Church houses, 129; value, $227,465.

Parsonages, 36; value, $51,260.

Finances—Pastors' salaries, $28,792.55; presiding elders' salaries, $2,813.21; local Current Expenses, $8,377; local church and parsonage expense, $27,397.51; local Sunday-school collections, $5,926.14; home missions, $838.74; foreign missions, $699.47; Missions—Woman's Missionary Association, $1,074.18; church erection, $287.72; church erection special, $41.81; parsonage erection special, $7.17; Sunday-school general fund, $99.08; Children's Day offerings, $87.54; Bishop's salary, $626.00; Conference Preachers' Aid, $171.00; Preachers' Aid, $2.00; beneficiary education, $67.95; Bonebrake Seminary, $173.20; contributions to colleges, $6.20; Westfield College, $491.51; home missions special, $513.74; foreign missions special, $129.26; Conference Church Extension, $1,919.09; publication fund, $192.50; total for all purposes, $83,023.80.

NOTES

The examination of licentiates occurred on Tuesday, August 19, 1913.

Rev. B. N. Sypolt, pastor of the United Brethren Church at Findlay, Illinois, preached on Tuesday night.

A Christian Endeavor program under the direction of Professor C. E. Bigelow, of Westfield, was given Wednesday night.

Dr. S. S. Hough, secretary of Foreign Missions, gave an address on Thursday night.

Dr. C. Whitney, secretary of Home Missions, gave an address on Friday night on Church Erection and Home Missions.

Rev. I. B. Fisher, of St. Louis, Mo., pastor of Delhi charge, preached Saturday night.

Introduced to the Conference were: Brother Nellis R. Funk, son of Dr. W. R. Funk; Rev. C. E. Helms, pastor Methodist Protestant Church; Rev. H. E. Crain, pastor Second M. E. Church; Dr. B. F. Shipp, pastor First M. E. Church; Dr. H. H. Peters, pastor Disciples Church; Rev. Henry Snowden, pastor Second Baptist Church (all these of Paris, Ill.); Dr. Horace Reed, representing the Illinois Vigilence Association.

Admitted to Advisory Seats: Dr. W. R. Funk, Publishing Agent; Rev. W. L. Blackwell, member M. E. Church, South; Rev. H. A. McBride, member White River Conference; Rev. Wm. Givens, of White River Conference; C. W. Bauman; Dr. S. E. Long, pastor United Brethren Church, Decatur, Illinois; Dr. S. S. Hough, secretary Foreign Missions; Dr. C. Whitney, secretary Home Missions; Rev. V. W. Overton, District Superintendent Northern Illinois Conference; Dr. W. E. Schell, secretary of Education; Rev. B. S. Billings, of South Illinois Methodist Protestant Church; Dr. E. H. Shuey, District Superintendent Northern Illinois Conference; Dr. J. S. Kendall, secretary Christian Stewardship; Rev. W. H. Halberstadt, of White River Conference; Dr. J. E. Fout, manager Bonebrake Theological Seminary; Rev. G. L. Good, of Northern Illinois Conference; Rev. J. A. Bray, of White River Conference; Rev. L. O. Blake, of White River Conference.

The following named absentees sent communications explaining their absence: G. W. Keller, J. A. Smith, Miss Elizabeth Thompson, C. A. Hall.

CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

(Official Record)

FIRST DAY.

The fifty-sixth session of Lower Wabash Conference convened in the United Brethren church at Paris, Illinois, Wednesday morning, at eight-thirty, August 20, 1913, Bishop H. H. Fout, presiding.

Devotions were conducted by Rev. G. W. Bonebrake.

The opening address of the Conference entitled "An Outlook," was given by Bishop Fout. He spoke tenderly to the Conference of his new office and association with this body. He referred to his past life in which he had been a pastor for ten years and for twelve years was editor of our Sunday-school Literature. The words, "The Lord will provide," said the Bishop, had always been a stimulus to him. He then read at length from his own article just published in the Telescope, fully describing the Northwest District.

After the roll call, the Bishop inquired about the organization of the Conference. Rev. F. H. King tendered his resignation as a member of the Statistical Committee and recommended Rev. L. H. Cooley to succeed him. By motion he was elected.

By agreement, the program as printed was to be regarded as official and was to be followed as near as possible.

Rev. Mr. Cooley made mention of the fact that the ministers' reports must be adjusted to agree with the old chart and asked the ministers to meet the Statistical Committee as soon as possible.

By motion, the first seven rows of pews across the room were made the bar of the Conference.

The presiding elders' reports were then read and approved as follows:

Annual Report of Olney District.

Bishop H. H. Fout. D.D., and Members of the Conference.

Again I am profoundly grateful to Almighty God for his boundless goodness to me, and I heartily appreciate the splendid co-operation of the pastors and the people, during the Conference year. I hereby submit my second annual report of the Olney District:

Twelve months ago, nineteen pastors were assigned to that many fields of labor, by the Stationing Committee, and there were only two resignations. G. W. Reid resigned Vergennes Circuit, and W. L. Fear was immediately appointed, and the Executive Committee of Westfield College elected Doctor H. M. Tipsword, president of the Westfield College; and this was ratified by the Board of Trustees. But, the president with other help has supplied the Robinson pulpit the remainder of the year. This heroic army of Christian workers has marched steadily onward, achieving untold victories for the extension of the kingdom of God.

The district is being better organized all the time in the majority of the local churches; though some hold on to the old methods of financing the church and still have their annual "agony days" in the closing weeks of the year. There are none so blind as those who refuse to see. The new light of the new financial plan is now breaking from the east, and the wise men can soon come west and see Christ in the manger, of better days and brighter tomorrows for our Conference.

There are fifty-five appointments, six stations, thirteen circuits, fourteen parsonages, and sixty church houses. Nearly every one of these buildings are in the best of repair. Our people are doing better housekeeping in God's church every year. The Solomonic, or our best possible ideal, must more and more prevail if we are to hold well equipped pastors. God can call men to preach, the church and schools can prepare them for their work, but unless we build good modern churches and parsonages, the stronger and better equipped men will keep on going where these can be found. So brethren, let us put more money into such buildings, in the way of church extension and home missions, until we are stronger and then we can send more money away from home than is possible at this time. The last General Conference revealed the fact that Lower Wabash Conference was scarcely on the map of United Brethrenism in many things. It is high time we wake up and do something at home worth while. At all hazards let us make the effort. It was an unusually good year for awakenings and revivals of religion. Not on every charge, nor in every local church, though we prayed ardently for this. There were eight hundred conversions and

seven hundred additions to the churches. The pastors for the most part conducted their own meetings.

Evangelist H. A. Lehwald of Olney, Illinois, and a regular ordained minister in our Church, conducted several meetings on the district with varying results. He is a strong preacher of the word and wins the people with his message. As a Conference wide evangelist, he could do great good in awakening lukewarm churches and winning hundreds to the kingdom. If all of the pastors and their workers would work as hard to hold and develop their converts as they do to win them for Christ and the church, the sight would be glorious; whereas, in some churches, but few keep the faith over dog days. Counting backslidden and unsaved converts at Conference time, is like counting dead horses to swell the numbers for worthless show and spectacular display. May God help us all to be genuine in these cold, materialistic and dust-covered times.

Our home missions at Lawrenceville, Flora, and East St. Louis have had a good year. Lawrenceville church is well organized and the church debt, at last account, was something over $500, and the rest on good subscription. The parsonage there is worth at least $2,500, and only has a debt of $1,000, the pastor paying $15.00 per month until the debt is cancelled. This promises at present to be one of our leading churches in the Conference. This has been the best year of its history in point of revival and ingathering. The church has grown steadily from its beginning.

Flora mission church is well organized, and has had a gracious revival and a large ingathering. This people have built a new and modern parsonage worth $1,100. The church and parsonage debt is only $400, and this amount is being handled by the church in the building and loan association. The East St. Louis mission church is now under course of construction. The foundation is in with the concrete footings. The stone mason at last report was doing his work. Much of the material is on the ground and Pastor Kettring, Architect Bullard, and Contractor J. E. Carson are hard at work, confident of a place to worship before the frost flies. We hope this church can be completed and dedicated by April 1, 1914. With what the general society of Church Erection has promised, the home Conference, yet to be paid subscriptions and the money on hand—this hope is the vision of victory toward which all concerned should move with steady and unbroken step. The earnest pastor and his devoted wife have buried their lives in this enterprise and are sacrificing, as few of us have ever done, and they deserve our prayers and material means up to the point of our ability to give. May every one share with them this heavy

responsibility and then rejoice with them in a final and glorious victory. May the spirit of sacrifice become contagious.

Mt. Vernon mission station is well organized, has had some revival and ingathering. Financially the church has succeeded better than last year. As to building, we are just where we were a year ago, except some money has been gathered by the pastor and the local debts on the property paid. The pastor and his wife have worked hard and are in good favor with all the people. The presiding elder and the pastor have felt for two years that a southern Illinois man who better understands the people, and who is adapted to city mission work, ought to be placed here. Such a man has been found among our number; a success in his own business; a man who has been successful in the building and raising of funds on other fields of labor in the Conference. Now if the Conference will appropriate the same amount one more year, we are perfectly confident that the building will go up and we will achieve a great victory where it is so greatly needed. With a mile square of the city's population, in a fine residence district where three thousand people live, with no church near them, we must succeed. The class for the most part is poor, but courageous, and I hope the Conference may see its opportunity and in a substantial way get under the burden one more year. The city will come to our rescue when once we begin to build, but not until then, for blunders have been made in the past, and the people will rally when they see a safe and sane management. Pastor Cooley has moved with caution and not a shred of fanaticism is to be found in the class and the people are still hungry for the gospel of Jesus Christ. No more heroic band of workers are to be found in our Conference. May we all get the vision and work for the victory. A great Y. P. C. E. Convention was held at Robinson, Illinois, July 9, 10, 11. I was sorry to be absent, but sickness in my home and a funeral away from home explains it all. Doctor Tipsword, Presiding Elder Norviel, and the good people of Robinson church helped to make the program and entertainment a glorious success as many present have reported.

Our foreign Bishop A. T. Howard and Doctor S. Keister helped make the program rich with many intellectual and spiritual feasts. Lower Wabash Branch, under the efficient direction of President C. C. Rose and his co-workers, are acomplishing great things for the extension of the kingdom in our Conference. The branch helped greatly in our Lawrenceville enterprise for two years. It would have been impossible without this financial support. This makes the third year that the branch has given $650 to the support of the Eeast St. Louis pastor. Without this, we could not go forward. They have helped greatly in the support

of foreign missions. We appreciate the help of our young people, and pledge ourselves to encourage them, in such noble work for the Master. We may never in time know what we owe Christian Endeavor as a permanent factor for the training of life in the church and the state.

BUILDINGS AND IMPROVEMENTS.

The Bluford charge having lost their parsonage by fire last year, have this year built a beautiful and commodious parsonage of seven rooms worth $1,500 to any charge including coal house and other improvements. The pastor deserves much credit for contending for a modern house and for the work he did in making it a possibility. He spent about seventy-five days on this enterprise. There is but little debt and this arranged for with good notes. Pastor B. B. Phelps and wife say it is a great joy to live in such a manse. The church repaired a large Sunday-school room, added a fine belfry, concrete walks, and now the new parsonage makes us about an $8,000 property, one of the best in any town of that size in the State. This is a great investment for this people for a generation and the people are happy over the outcome.

The loyal people at Hallidayboro, Illinois, last November, under the direction of G. W. Reid, pastor, completed a beautiful and well arranged church house. It cost $2,000, the Halliday Coal Company paying about half of this amount, the class the rest of it. The remaining debt is being paid by these happy coal miners. It is the only church in the town, and Pastor W. L. Fear and wife are enjoying a good year on the Vergennes Circuit. The church at Parkersburg was struck by lightning last summer, but has been repaired this year. Oak Grove church has spent about $500 putting in a new foundation, new seats, painting and papering. Pastor Ade has had a good year. Other repairs on the charge are valuable. Elbow Church on Olney Circuit, burned last winter and the people, under the direction of Pastor W. R. Muncie, have built a much better and a more modern building than the first one. It will cost about $1,800. It will be ready for dedication soon after this Conference closes. It is a fine compliment to their loyalty and spirit of holy enterprise.

Centenary church on Summer Circuit tore their old building down and have erected a splendid house of worship, costing, including labor donations, and materials donated, about $1,200. All this was done without a pastor. Brothers Fife, Herron, and others took charge and their house will be ready for dedication soon. What could others do with a pastor who are now just worshiping in an old shack, and themselves living in palatial

homes! Pastor Connett, of Olney Station, led his people to victory in the putting in of a fine basement and thoroughly furnishing it for practical Sunday-school purposes. The rest of the building was repaired, repainted, and repapered, with its concrete entrances from three ways to the auditorium and basement. It is now the best workshop in the Conference. Dr. W. R. Funk, D.D. of Dayton, Ohio, reopened it July 13, 1913. It was a great day and the amount asked for was given and some over. The whole cost was $2,000. Pastor Connett and his people have had a great year and can in the future, welcome all who desire to come to the Sunday school. The large and growing Sunday school drove our people to provide more room, and this is the way they chose to do it.

The Sanbaren Church has put in a new piano and made other needed improvements, also in town considerable has been spent in the way of improvements. Pastor O. J. Bogard has had the greatest of three years on St. Francisville charge. A great revival in the town and many added to the church. The people at Adams Corner, West Salem charge, spent about $500 on the church. Pastor Harbert and his people wanted to do something worth while and they did.

On Flora Circuit, T. H. Decker is the pastor. Harmony has put in a new foundation, repaired, repapered, painted, and decorated at a cost of nearly $500. Mt. Zion and Bethel have made valuable improvements. It has been a good year on this charge—the two acre parsonage grounds swarm with chickens.

The parsonage at East St. Louis has been somewhat remodeled in the basement; reroofed, repainted, repapered, so much better did it look, that I scarcely knew it on first sight. It is much more convenient than before the improvement.

Light plants have been put in several churches. Other repairs on parsonages and church buildings are too numerous to mention.

SALARIES.

None of the salaries are high enough as compared with the high cost of living. The majority of charges will report in full or nearly so. There will be some deficits, all too large. I could not get the full reports, for much was unpaid, too late for this report. I cannot report the benevolences for the same reason given as to pastor's salary. The elder and pastors have urged larger giving and tried to arouse the people to more liberal and systematic giving. It did good. The causes for deficits are many: A wide spread drought which discourages our rural people and consequently the people of the towns; the old way of financing the church—give as you feel like it, or not at all; some irresponsible stewards, pastor not visiting his people—never

getting into many homes. Nothing will make up for proper pastoral care of the flock. There must be personal interest in every member of the household of faith. Let us be "worthy of our hire." Some of us could not get a dollar per day the way we work, in any other employment, and yet want two or three dollars for half work and half play. Whoever among us is guilty let him not "throw the first stone," else he might break his house of glass. We have received far too little for home and foreign missions though these causes have been urged publicly and privately. What will some say when they see the converted heathen marching in at that last great day?

BOUNDARIES.

Unless St. Francisville should become a station, the circuits in Lawrence, Wabash, and Richland counties cannot be better arranged than they are at present. This must not be done without the mutual consent of the majority of all concerned. I recommend that Delhi church and Woodriver class form Woodriver mission. Dr. I. B. Fisher, the pastor, organized a class of twenty-seven members and no better people can be found. They have paid the pastor $25.00 each month since the organization. Delhi can pay $150 next year, making a salary of $450. Dr. Fisher is willing to serve the charge as long as he lives in St. Louis, Mo., if it is agreeable to the Conference. In view of a growing debt in our church extension work, I recommend that Woodlawn church be attached to Flora Circuit making four appointments; thus saving $150, for no appointment can be added to it. In this way it can be made a three weeks' work, and can pay a living salary.

Sumner Circuit, Parkersburg Circuit, and Olney Circuit each have one appointment too many, and this causes dissatisfaction and unrest on the part of pastors and people. I leave it to the Boundary Committee to do what is best in each case. I recommend that Oak Hill and Nebo churches be left on Bluford Circuit, as the other three churches have not been able this year to pay the pastor a living salary, the salary this year only being a little over $400 and parsonage. The financial strain in buildings is largely to blame, for this is a noble people. Vienna Circuit has been without a pastor the whole year. Rev. P. F. Kettring visited them during the year and received nearly $100 for the East St. Louis Church. They have been holding meetings and still hope that some one can be sent to help them next year who can lead them to better conditions. They claim they will pay the price if some man can deliver the right kind of goods. Will some one volunteer to undertake it at this session of Conference? He must be a safe, sane, and consecrated man.

MY WORK ON THE DISTRICT.

Eighty quarterly meetings have been held on the district, all by myself except eight. These were held by Revs. Decker, Cooley, Phelps, Byard, Fowler, Fisher, and Kettring. I am grateful to them for their valuable services. I have preached 210 times, made 700 calls and visits, averaged four days each week out on the district. I married four couples, attended three funerals, preached five, ate 525 meals on the district, baptized thirteen, licensed four quarterly conference preachers, granted three permanent licenses. Three have been recommended to the Annual Conference for license to preach. I traveled on the train 4,055 miles, in the buggy 652 miles, walked 228 miles, by automobile 139 miles, in farm wagon 55 miles, total 50,129 miles. Of the salary assessed and collected $1,020.46, traveling expenses or train fare $88.96, stationery $16.75, hotel and restaurant bill $7.20, salary not collected $25.00, but more than balanced by presents received; total expense, including unpaid salary $137.91, house rent $150; other necessary expenses $50, grand total of expense $337.91. Net salary $682.55, the tithe, $72.50, net living salary $598.05.

The year has been strenuous and exacting. I have been hindered some by sickness and inclement weather. I have gone forth joyfully to my task, rejoicing in the Master's work and have with few exceptions found great delight in the varied phases of work peculiar to that of the District Superintendent. This showing of the field of operation is far from complete and not what we all hoped it might be at this time.

I give all credit for every achievement to the loyal pastors and their devoted people. In this very responsible office, I have honestly and gladly tried to do my duty to one and all without fear or favor, knowing that I must give an account to God as well as to man. There has for the most part been health in all our parsonages, and death has only passed over the threshold of one of our minister's home. Brother Oscar Haycock and wife died within six weeks of each other, but they died in the hope of a blessed immortal faith, and we shall meet them in heaven's morning just inside the eastern gate.

Most sacred and sweet have been my associations with the pastors and their families. The hallowed memories gathering about these homes and churches of the people in southern Illinois, will linger like a happy dream, or the sweet influences of an angel's song in the land of the blessed, and dear brethren, let us ever be faithful unto death, "mayhap some bright summer day in heaven," all our work will appear more glorious than was possible before the mists cleared away. I am very conscious of many infirmities and imperfections in all the work I have tried to do, but I trust that indulgent brethren and a merciful

God will give me my reward, after the sands of time have all run out of the hour glass of life and I stand before "the King in his beauty," in the land immortal just beyond the golden curtain.

Respectfully submitted,
W. L. DUNCAN,
District Superintendent.

REPORT OF WESTFIELD DISTRICT.

This district is composed of eighteen charges, four stations, one mission station, twelve circuits, and one mission circuit. Westfield District is much the smallest and poorest of the three of which the conference is composed; there is not a manufacturing plant of any kind, not even a mine in all this territory of ten counties composing the district.

There is not a town or city of more than eight thousand or ten thousand population, Paris being the largest. But small as it is it compares very favorably with the others, and in the main is filled with a ministry and laity of loyal, tried and true United Brethren.

Island Grove Circuit has been very unfortunate, the pastor, L. C. Maple, resigned at the second quarter because of ill health. I then appointed T. A. Swartwood of Platform, Ohio, he also resigned for same reason. Then James T. Story was appointed but did not act, hence this charge will not be reported, but I have arranged for the revision of class-books and reorganizing of classes.

Clarksburg Circuit was resigned by W. L. Fear and after some delay I secured the services of M. O. Stein of Ohio, who served the charge efficiently until close of year.

Beecher City Circuit was resigned by Fred A. Roberts about April 1. I was not able to get a preacher for this charge, but Brother Roberts will report and has some money on claims. I made a special trip to Beecher a short time ago, preached for them, raised the Bishop's salary in full and secured a bonified pledge from two classes, for more money than the three promised last year. Beecher City Circuit will pay pastor one-third to two-fifths more money next year than it has paid for several years.

Greenup Circuit was resigned by Pastor Cooper at first quarter, and after a delay of about two months the services of G. W. Reid were secured, who served faithfully the balance of year.

The revival spirit has been good and with one exception every charge has had conversions and additions. This exception is one of the charges that was resigned, and I think there was not an attempt at revival made on the charge. The other charges resigned were deprived largely, or in part of revival efforts.

These five resignations on the four charges will very materially affect the number of conversions and additions, also the finance on district, but I do not blame the pastors in the least, as the salary runs from $205.00 to $310.00.

Greenup Circuit with six churches, scattered from Dan to Beersheba, promised only $205.00 salary. These pastors ordinarily are just as faithful, true, and needy as the pastors on the better charges. God bless them, they deserve our sympathy and must have better support.

Casey Station, under the leadership of Pastor Bonebrake, has had a good year—ninety-two additions and nearly as many conversions. All departments of the church are prospering.

This hustling class has outgrown its present quarters and has purchased an ideal lot up town and are preparing to build on this new location. Seven thousand dollars have been secured in good subscription, and a new church house costing $15,000.00 to $18,000.00 is to be built very soon. Arthur Belden, pastor of Westfield Circuit, has had a fine year in revival work; there have been about one hundred conversions and nearly as many additions. Oblong has been prospering under the leadership of Pastor Williams; there have been ninety-five conversions, one hundred additions. One new class has been organized with twenty-five members. The Oblong people would be heard from with adjectives the most emphatic if they did not have their pastor returned.

Paris under the leadership of the King, increased their salary $200.00 and have paid or provided for about $600.00 old debt and in addition to all this have made some repairs and purchased carpet costing about $150.00. This could scarcely have been done only for the tithers. Paris, perhaps has more tithers than all the other seventeen charges in the district. Surely these heroic tithers deserve much credit. I cannot take the space to speak of all the pastors and their work personally, but would say, that all have been faithful and untiring in their labors and their reports will show very commendably. Beecher City class has re-roofed the church house, installed a splendid light plant which with some other little expenses cost $206.12.

Bethel Church on Island Grove Circuit has been re-roofed, a neat pulpit alcove built, and the house is now ready for plastering and painting, the total cost will be above $200.00. Some other churches have installed light plants, done some slight repairing but not sufficient to warrant special mention. There have been more than five hundred conversions and nearly as many additions to the church on district this year. Total number of Telescopes taken, 310, last year, 304; increase, 6. Watchwords taken about 400, a slight gain over last year. Number of Young

People's Societies, 12, a gain of two over last year. Number of Sunday schools, 50, last year, 51, loss one, but this may be accounted for by the fact that there was one charge more last year than this. The Sunday-school literature is about the same as last year. The number of Woman's Missionary Association societies is not fewer than last year, and the number of Evangels, judging from quarterly reports is larger than last year, but the pastors in sending in their statistics, nearly all failed to mention number of associations of Evangels, so I am not positive as to numbers. Number of sermons preached, 178; number of miles traveled, 5,000.

Salary paid on district	$ 971 11
Amount of presents received	29 00
Total salary and presents	1,000 11
Traveling expenses	114 05
Net salary	886 06

Westfield College from which the district takes its name, has been a bulwark of strength to the United Brethren Church for forty-eight years, but of late there has come a gradual indifference on the part of the people toward this institution, resulting in great injury to its usefulness. Brethren, this is all wrong, we should support the college with money and students to make it a blessing, or we should let loose of it entirely. It must not die this lingering, struggling, and ignominious death caused by atrophy; for this would surely injure the entire Conference. I hear all kinds of adverse criticism against the college, both from ministry and laity; thus under existing conditions, no one has any heart to do anything for it.

Brethren, we had better infuse new life into it and make it the great power for God and the Church it ought to be, or we had just as well administer (very tenderly of course) a drug that will permit it to breathe its last quickly and without a kick. But I beg of you to carefully consider. Do we need a college in our midst, to put its impress upon our youth? Can we afford to do without it? The debt on Westfield College of $4,000.00 held by a Terre Haute firm, that for several years has been very embarrasing to the college, has been paid. Westfield Station has taken over this debt and raised a subscription of $4,100.00, all of which was paid, not even one dollar shrinkage. Surely this was heroic and worthy of commendation.

In closing I would say, the Master's cause has been very near my heart and I have tried to do the very best I could for him. I have prayed as I came to the people, that God would bless me and make me a blessing to them, and help me to lift them nearer the great loving heart of the Master. I have tried to get in closest touch with the pastors with whom I have labored, I have

sorrowed with them in their sorrow and rejoiced with them in their joys; I have sympathized with them in their struggles and sacrifices, but what has hurt me most, is to see this noble band of God's true servants, compelled to live on such a little miserable pittance, called salary. It isn't just to these true heroes. Brethren in the laity, better make some little sacrifice, than for these men of God to make so much. May God abundantly bless them and richly reward them.

The ministers and laity have been most kind and good to me for which I am very thankful. I am profoundly thankful to my Heavenly Father for his loving kindness to me, he has given me and mine health, and I have thereby been able to be in every quarterly meeting and preach for the people. I have not used a single proxy this year.

Respectfully submitted,
J. B. NORVIEL,
Presiding Elder.

REPORT OF DANVILLE DISTRICT.

To the Bishop and Brethren of Lower Wabash Conference:

I submit this, my annual report of the Danville District. The district is composed of three mission stations, one mission circuit, one country station, and twelve circuits—seventeen in all. With two exceptions, the pastors who were assigned to their charges a year ago have remained on the firing line until now. Rev. C. A. Hall resigned Broadlands charge in November and I appointed Rev. H. A. McBride to the work. He has served the charge very acceptably and will have a good report. Rev. McComas resigned Ashmore immediately after last Conference. A little later I appointed Rev. R. J. Cox to the charge; he served them about two months, and resigned on account of lack of support. In March, I appointed Rev. Jacob Frederick of Lawrenceville to the charge. He and the people failed to contract. Then in April, I appointed Rev. Ben Horn of Olney. He has partially served the charge since.

I suggest that the Otterbein Church on this charge be sold, as there seems to be no chance to build it up.

I found an embarrasing debt on the Ashmore Church and the creditors about to levy on the church property for their bills. At the second quarterly conference a new board of trustees was elected and instructed to borrow money enough to liquidate these debts, which they did. If we do anything in Ashmore, we will have to practically start new, for the class is all gone except three members. I therefore suggest that a heroic effort be made to reorganize and re-establish this church, but in case of failure, the Conference Board of Trustees be instructed to sell the church.

The beautiful new church at Borton, on the Redmon charge, which was started more than a year ago by Rev. N. E. Royer, who was then the pastor, has been completed and was dedicated by our beloved Bishop Fout, June 22. This church cost $6,000.

The splendid new church at Rossville is now being plastered and will be completed before the snow flies. The plans for this church were started last Conference year, but for a time at the beginning of this year it looked as though the plans might fail, but at the second quarterly conference, Brother Griffin, the pastor, with his splendid board of trustees had matters re-adjusted and the contract was let for the building. This church, when completed, will be a credit to the good people of Rossville, and to the denomination. It will cost about $10,000.

The abandoned church at Sidney which was ordered sold by the Conference, I succeeded in selling for $300. Out of this the church realized $269.

Our Charleston enterprise is presenting to this Conference a very encouraging report. The plans that were inaugurated a year ago did not materialize as was hoped they would, consequently the tabernacle is not fully paid for, which puts a little more debt upon the property. The pastor wrote four hundred letters to that many people in the Conference asking them to give $1.00 each toward building the tabernacle. He, of course, expected almost $400, but instead he received $63. Then quite a number who subscribed to this fund a year ago have not paid their pledge; consequently this extra debt. This new class is not large, but a more loyal and faithful people I never met. The outlook in Charleston is very promising. They paid their pastor $200, the amount they pledged, and have their assessments paid in full.

There are thirty-nine church houses, all in operation but two, Ashmore and Otterbein. We have twelve parsonages. All of the churches and parsonages are in fairly good condition. Several churches have been repaired this year at a cost of $624.12.

The Fisher charge built a new room to their parsonage, which makes a very commodious place to live. This improvement cost $345.87. Other parsonages on the district have been repaired at a cost of $176.50.

We have thirty-seven Sunday schools with an enrollment of 3,957. Am sorry I can report but eight Woman's Missionary Association Societies. We ought to have at least twenty-five. Seventy-seven Woman's Evangels are taken. We have five Otterbein Guilds, all doing good work; but we ought to have twenty. We have six Otterbein Brotherhoods. Our Sunday schools have fifty-one organized classes. Eight of our schools use the graded

lessons. I can report fifteen Y. P. S. C. E. and ten Junior Societies. The former has a membership of 710, the latter 235.

I must mention our Women's Aid Societies which are a very important factor in our church life. We have seventeen of these organizations, all doing splendid work. If all other societies in the church were as faithful as our Aid Societies, the whole church would be flourishing.

There are two hundred and thirty-eight Telescopes taken on the district. This number ought to be multiplied by four. The Telescope has so much to do with our church and religious life that it should be in every home.

Owing to the bad weather during the revival season, our work on this line was very much hindered. Our pastors report 264 conversions and 289 additions.

FINANCE.

We have had a severe drought this year which has very perceptably affected our benevolences and in several cases the pastor's salary; but our pastors have been faithful and considering this discouragement, most of them will have fair reports—some of them are full.

The average pastor's salary paid last year was $616.79; average salary promised this year, $676.47. We report on chart assessments $1,177.58; home missions, $422.09; foreign missions, $316.59; Church Erection, $114.80; paid for new churches, $5,644.30; paid on parsonage debt, $125.00.

PERSONAL MENTION.

I am grateful to our good Heavenly Father for his many blessings and to my pastors for their kindness and patience to me, and their coöperation with me during the year.

I have held all my quarterly conferences in person except four which came at the time when we were quarantined with scarlet fever. I am very thankful and very much indebted to Brothers Griffin, Royer, Gladwell, and Glick for holding the quarterlies for me. I have tried to preach one hundred and sixty times, made the corner stone laying address for the Rossville church, conducted three funerals, solemnized four marriages, traveled 5,780 miles.

Brothers R. J. Cox of Georgetown, and George McGee of Hillary, were given quarterly conference license to preach, and Miss Mary Brawner of Danville, Perrysville Avenue Church, was granted quarterly conference deaconess certificate. Rev. Everett E. Johnson having stood in the quarterly conference one year, and having completed the quarterly conference course of study, comes recommended by the Charleston quarterly con-

ference to this body for admission and Annual Conference license to preach.

Rev. W. L. Blackwell of the M. E. Church, South, who has served our Redmon charge very successfully this year, comes with his credentials for admission into our conference. I recommend that his name and credentials go before the Committee on Conference Relations.

The amount of salary apportioned for presiding elder was $1,020.00; received, $992.33; traveling expenses, $83.34; value house rent, $192.00; Lord's tithe, $90.00; other expenses, $20.00; total expenses, $385.34; net salary, $607.09.

Respectfully submitted,
C. A. Dwyer.
Presiding Elder.

In addition to approving the report of Danville District, a motion was made and seconded that the recommendations made in the report be accepted and acted upon.

Motion carried.

By motion, the following reporters for the following papers were appointed: The Paris Beacon and The Paris Daily News, Rev. B. N. Sypolt; The Paris Gazette and The Terre Haute Star, Miss Lizzie Sheets.

The Bishop read the following committees on organization:

Devotion—J. B. Norviel, F. H. King.
Elders' Orders—G. W. Bonebrake, J. C. Fowler, H. W. Broadstone.
Candidates for the Ministry—E. M. Pierson, B. B. Phelps, J. T. McCreery.
. Conference Relations—S. O. Stoltz, D. R. Seneff, J. B. Connett.
Memoirs—J. F. Fowler, B. C. Peters, L. H. Cooley.
Nominations—W. R. Muncie, N. E. Royer, G. W. Ball.
Resolutions—E. E. Bundy, J. E. Sibert, I. S. McIver.
Auditing Accounts—D. C. Ade, C. O. Myers, L. A. Rider.

At the suggestion of the Bishop, the roll of the departed members of the Conference was read by the secretary while all present stood with bowed heads, then joined in singing "There's a Land That is Fairer Than Day," after which Dr. Shipp, pastor of the M. E. Church, dismissed the session with a beautiful prayer.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Devotion was conducted by Rev. B. C. Peters.

The examination of ministers not pastors then took place together with the correction of the list.

Letters read. (See notes.)

The following were present and reported in person: S. Mills, T. Walters, L. M. Cooper, J. T. Story, and Dr. Seneff, the latter regretting having been without work the last year, presented himself for work. Rev. S. Mills being the oldest minister present, an extract from his report is given: He said he was the only member of the Conference living who was present at the first Conference which met in 1859. He has been present at every roll call since. He cannot now preach but assists in funerals and special meetings and is interested in all the progressive movements of the church.

Bishop Fout spoke very tenderly of him.

The names of J. W. Nye and W. O. Haycock were referred to the Committee on Memoirs.

Rev. H. Coen was referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for superannuated relationship; and Rev. J. Tohill for superannuated relation. Brother Tohill being seriously sick, prayer was offered for him by Rev. Mr. Duncan and Dr. D. R. Seneff was instructed to send a letter to him. The letter as prepared later was as follows:

Westfield, Ill., Aug. 22. 1913.

REV. J. TOHILL,
Hardinsville, Ill.

Dear Brother:

The Lower Wabash Conference of the Church of the United Brethren in Christ, in annual session in Paris, Ill., Bishop H. H. Fout, presiding, has by resolution, instructed me to assure you of the sincere sympathy of the Bishop and members of the Conference with you in your prolonged affliction and of their earnest prayer to God for your spiritual comfort and speedy restoration to your wonted health.

Your brother in Christ,
D. R. SENEFF.

C. A. Hall was referred to the Committee on Conference Relations.

W. M. Hall having withdrawn from the Church, D. T. Hall having irregularly withdrawn, and W. H. Nickerson being reported for bad conduct, each of their names were ordered stricken from the roll.

The report of Committee on Bible Cause was read and approved as follows:

BIBLE CAUSE.

We, as the Church of the United Brethren in Christ, believe the Bible to be the word of God, because of its fitness to human needs and conditions. The actual revelation, being designed for all men in every age and clime, must be inherent and inseparable from its contents. It must win its way because it is worthy of God, and fitted to man's needs in every sphere of man's life and activity.

The revelation of God is found in the essential, living thought of the Bible, and the final proof of its authority must be sought in its living energy, agreement with the character of God, its own successive utterances, our conscious intuitions, presentiments, needs and hopes. We believe the Bible to be from God, because its utterances are God-like, consistent with themselves, and fitted to establish in the hearts of men that divine kingdom, whose fruits are "righteousness, peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost."

All history, sacred and even profane, bears witness to the truth of the Bible. Type, shadow, symbol, and prophecy yield their solemn attestation. The spectacle of a world submitting itself to the doctrines of the Bible, and thereby becoming remodeled, is in itself a system of evidence which can only be accounted for in one way.

The Bible has addressed itself successfully to men of every age and country. It has evoked the profoundest utterances of piety, wisdom, learning. We believe the Bible because of its wonderful achievements and effects.

The Bible is seen to tread the ages like the fabled goddess, under whose beneficent football sprang beautiful flowers wherever she went.

Hospitals, asylums, and refugees for the sick, the miserable and the afflicted grow like heaven-bedewed blossoms in its path. The Bible is the only book that works. Other books sparkle, but this book lifts all the burdens of a sinning and orphaned race. Any other book cast into a community of savages would not carry barbarism by the breadth of a hair nearer Christian civilization. This is the peculiar prerogative of the Bible. Where the Bible is present the most operatively, there will be found the greatest civilization. All that we call modern civilization,

in a sense, which at all deserves the name, is the visible expression of the transforming power of the Bible. It is generally accepted as an axiom, that the only justification of the State in undertaking popular education is its own preservation and upbuilding. It is a measure of public safety. The aim so far as the State is concerned, is to make good citizens, and the scope of its effort is limited by that necessity. The question with which the State has to do is public morals: for it is upon the morality of the people that the progress of the nation and its civilization depends.

The great nations of the past all perished, not of poverty, nor of culture, but of immorality. "Righteousness exalteth a nation." Some of them went down at the height of literary, artistic or material greatness. Few will dispute the impressive teaching of history, as well as of philosophy; the great duty of the State is the proper cultivation of the moral nature of its people, especially in its adolescence period. It is a question, therefore, which every citizen ought to weigh carefully, whether a system, not of ethical maxims, but of vital aggressive morality, can be successfully cultivated without the aid of the Book of books.

The Bible has determined the very forms of speech, through which State, school, and individual have poured their thoughts. The documents of diplomacy, judicial formulas, parliamentary routine, bear direct traces of Bible origin. The men who have delved deepest into the mystery of things and caught most of the prophetic breath of the coming dawn of brighter to-morrows, such as Lord Bacon, Kepler, Newton, Faraday, and others of that illustrious line, were earnest students of the Bible, to the faith of which they devoted their lives, and the centuries are fragrant with their memory. Where is a second book, uninspired, that has demonstrated its inherent and unassisted energy to take hold of life, grapple with it, transform it, regenerate it and lead it out into the image and likeness of the life of an Almighty God. Only He who knows man perfectly could have made man a book, such as the Bible—a guide and chart for his whole pilgrim journey. Only He who made all hearts could have produced a book that would supply all the necessities of all hearts to the end of time. Its stories charm the child, its hopes inspire old age, orphanage and widowhood, and its promises, make deaths beds as smooth as downy pillows are, and sweetly we breathe out our life there. "For at even time it shall be light."

For the Bible—the maiden is wedded under its solemn sanction, and the grave is closed under its comforting assurances, of a glorious life beyond. Therefore, be it

Resolved, 1. That we, as ministers of the gospel, urge upon the people the importance of Bible study in the home and in all of the organizations of the church.

2. That we lend our influences to the American Bible Society in the work of getting the Bible into the homes of those not in possession of a Bible. That we take an annual offering for this purpose.

Respectfully submitted,
J. L. PELLUM.

The report of Committee on Publishing Interests was read and approved as follows: Pending approval, Dr. Funk, Publishing House Agent, spoke at great length regarding the work of the Publishing House in issuing the publications.

REPORT ON PUBLISHING INTERESTS.

The loss of over one hundred thousand dollars, sustained by our Publishing House in the March flood, seemed at first overwhelming. When, however, the Publishing Agent, in the Telescope of April 30, says, "Notwithstanding the flood conditions, we are in good shape;" and later, in the Telescope of July 16 says, "June was a good month. The business was increased a little more than six per cent. over June of 1912. We were able to get through the month without borrowing money, and succeeded in paying $3,600 borrowed money. I am beginning to see daylight, with what I hope will be the greatest quadrennium the House has ever known;" and, when we read the accompanying words of purpose, courage and hopefulness of our Publishing Agent, we are thrilled with approving admiration, and made to wonder whether, after all, the apparent, so great calamity, may not in the end prove a blessing. There are, at least, emphasized to us the stupendous resources of our Publishing House, and the matchless resourcefulness of our Publishing Agent. No loyal United Brethren can do otherwise than heartily approve and support our publishing agent, Dr. Funk, and his counsellors in working out their wise, far reaching plans.

Our periodicals, including our Sunday-school literature, were never before as good as now; and we own our obligation to renew our efforts to secure the undivided patronage of our own publishing house by our people. It must be to the entire Church a source of regret, if not a matter of reproach, that our main periodical, the Telescope, is published at a financial loss. With unwonted sincerity, we pledge ourselves to heartily second any plan that may be proposed to overcome this vexatious condition.

D. R. SENEFF.

The report of the Committee on Temperance was read and approved as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

The Church of the United Brethren in Christ has ever stood for the sanctity of the home, the supremacy of the church, and good citizenship.

It has always stood in open opposition to every influence known to be destructive to the home or the nation. Among the forces that are antagonistic and that stand as a bar to our church and national progress, there is none greater than the organized liquor traffic. It is a twin curse to human slavery. It is one of the most destructive institutions known to modern civilization.

It wastes wealth, defies manhood, debauches citizenship, cripples trade, corrupts politics and legislation, intimidates public officials and defies the law. It obstructs the government of our cities and nation.

It endangers our boys and girls who are to be the men and women of the future, it breeds anarchy, gambling, robbery, and murder, it is the cause of ignorance, poverty, disease, and death; sending its one hundred thousand victims to the grave every year, their places to be filled by other boys who are coming after them.

It scorns the tears of wives and mothers and defies the Church of Jesus Christ. Shall the church stand by and see the legalized soul destroying, law defying institution cripple our industries and commerce, and weaken the intelligence and corrupt the morals of our citizens?

We believe its day has nearly come, it has been weighed in the balance and found wanting. Its doom is sealed, the hand writing is on the wall.

We believe that the Anti-Saloon League is the power that is to continue to lead the fight until we shall conquer. We congratulate the league for every victory it has won in this awful fight against the combined and well organized liquor forces, Therefore,

Resolved, That we pledge to the Anti-Saloon League our loyalty and support in this fight and that we urge our Church to aid in every way possible in this struggle to free our land from this awful evil.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. FOWLER,
Committee.

The report of the Committee on the Christian Home was read and approved as follows:

REPORT ON THE CHRISTIAN HOME.

The word "home" unmodified by adjective or affix, is a precious word. Qualified by the adjective "Christian" it stands for what is best on earth and is, of all earthly things, the best, truest symbol of heaven. There is no scripture that gives us at once a better conception of the Christian home and a deeper sense of its vital import, than we have in Ephesians 6:1-4, "Children, obey your parents in the Lord; for this is right. Honor thy father and thy mother which is the first commandment with promise, that it may be well with thee and thou mayest live long on the earth. And ye fathers provoke not your children to wrath, but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord." Fathers and mothers in the Lord; bringing up children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord; children rendering affectionate, filial obedience because it is right. Because parents stand to them as representatives of God in his relation of the Heavenly Father. These are the essential personages and the essential characteristics of the Christian home; the home in which religion is not only taught, but practiced. Were an angel from heaven with ready, eager pen to stand in our presence waiting for the suggestion of a theme on which to lavish his noblest thought, could any theme of deeper, more far-reaching import be proposed than the Christian home?

It is the potent, transforming, healing agency that has the power to turn to sweetness all the bitter streams of earth. God has made this institution of greatest molding power, the home, so independent of material possessions and earthly circumstance that he makes it possible to all and incumbent upon all, if parents at all, to be parents in the Lord, and to bring up their children in his nurture and admonition. So unerring is it in effect that one, long ago, gave assurance by inspiration that a child trained up in the way he should go, will not depart from it even when he is old.

The Christian home is God's agency more than any other in the world, yea, more than all others in the world for working out the redemption of the race. It is absolutely essential, fundamental to every other ennobling agency. Without it neither church nor state can prosper or beneficially long exist. The effectiveness of both and of every subsidiary agency they employ, will ever be in proportion to the extent in which the homes tributary to them are Christian. All this being true, is there occasion in our time to lament the decadence of the Christian home? Institutions, orders, clubs, fraternities, and what not have multiplied of an industrial, social, civic, and even a religious character until one will, if he can pause long enough in his eager

pursuit of gain and pleasure, give the question serious thought. The curfew that summons vagrant youth from nightly wanderings on the streets, the main motive for going sooner than otherwise being to elude the clutches of an officer, is far more a dirge over the death of the Christian home than it is a remedy for the evil it is designed to correct. No wisdom of legislature, no speedy and deserved infliction of penalties by courts of justice, no frowning prison walls, no refinement of reform can atone for the neglect of the Christian home. The homely grace and gracious patient power of this primeval, God-ordained institution, the essential of which are fathers and mothers in the Lord, bring up children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.

These are still as they ever have been, the chief molding forces of the world, the very salt of the earth.

Respectfully submitted,
G. W. Reid,
Committee.

Adjournment.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Devotion was conducted by Dr. D. R. Seneff.

Bishop Fout gave a splendid address entitled "The Church in the Home," referring to a family of the church at Corinth.

A few extracts follow:

In all history the family has been the chief institution of instruction. The home life is the lining of the world's life. The homes are the real schools in which we are trained. The fathers and mothers are the instructors. The little child must be taught to be a worshiper. It is naturally so and it must be cultivated. A child is naturally religious. Take the Christian home out of the land and it would be like taking the warmth out of the sunlight, the fragrance out of the rose, the sweetness out of the peach, God out of the universe. Some good books to assist in home training were given as follows: "A Study of Child Nature" by Elizabeth Harrison; "Beckonings of Little Hands" by ————; "The Boy Problem" by Forbush; "The Home Beautiful" by J. R. Miller.

The purpose of the home is to develop a normal religious experience.

The minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

By motion the new Committee on Resolutions was to act for this year's Conference.

Miss Sarah D. Bowman was elected to assist Miss Sheets by being reporter for the Terre Haute Star.

Rev. Oscar Smith, from the Methodist Protestant Church, was referred to the Committee on Conference Relations.

The report of Evangelist H. A. Lehwald was read and approved as follows:

To the Annual Conference, Greeting.

Beloved Brethren in Jesus: The past Conference year started out most glorious with victory and success. Souls were saved, backsliders reclaimed as we tarried in the upper chamber in Jerusalem. All praise and glory to our God!

In January, however, the Lord saw fit to test my faith. Two months the scene was changed as I looked into the face of my loved ones suffering under the kind hand of Father's testing rod where we got a glimpse of Father's more abundant grace. Here I found that my disappointment was Father's appointment and with Paul we were enabled to say "All things work together for good to them that love the Lord." With gratefulness to God and a kind heart to the brethren, I submit the following report: Sermons preached, 360; souls saved and reclaimed, 777; instrumental in securing Telescope subscriptions, 42; money raised, $800; miles traveled, 2,470; traveling expenses, $65.

With many thanks to both pastors and elders of this as well as other Conferences, I remain,

Your humble co-worker and brother in Jesus,

H. A. Lehwald,
Evangelist.

A few minutes were spent in the review of pastors' reports by the Bishop.

Dr. W. R. Funk addressed the Conference regarding the United Brethren home—the Shaker farm.

By motion the Boundary and Finance Committee were instructed to do the work of arranging the new budget.

Adjournment. Benediction by Father Wm. Givens.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Devotion was led by Rev. D. C. Ade.

A quartet composed of Rev. B. C. Peters, Mrs. J. G. Breden, Miss Ida Nye, and Rev. J. G. Breden sang beautifully.

By motion the secretary was instructed to prepare and send a message of greeting to the Indiana United Brethrén Conference in session at Odin, Indiana. The following was later prepared and sent:

Paris, Ill., Aug. 22, 1913.

To the Indiana United Brethren Conference in session at Odin, Indiana, Greeting.

Lower Wabash United Brethren Conference in annual session, extend to you hearty greeting, assuring you of our prayers for God's choicest blessings upon all your deliberations. See Gal. 1:3-5.

Your Brethren in Christ,
H. H. FOUT, Bishop.
EVERETT E. JOHNSON, Secretary.

The following telegram was later received in answer:

Odin, Ind., Aug. 24, 1913.

Secretary United Brethren Conference, Paris, Ill.

Bishop and Brethren: Indiana Conference heartily reciprocates your kind greetings. We are enjoying a fine session. Philippians 1:2-5.

W. E. SNYDER,
Secretary.

An Institute regarding the new financial plan of the denomination was held at this hour, conducted by Dr. S. S. Hough, Dr. C. Whitney, and Dr. W. E. Schell, each of them speaking.

Rev. H. M. Tipsword, president of Westfield College, spoke for a few minutes.

By motion Rev. W. O. Albert was referred to the Committee on Elders' Orders.

Dr. Horace Reed addressed the Conference for ten minutes.

Adjournment. Benediction by Rev. T. D. Spyker.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Devotions were led by N. E. Royer.

Bishop Fout gave an address on the subject, "The Child and the Church." The most important relationship of the church is its relationship to the child. The Sunday-school enrollment of our denomination is one hundred thousand above the church membership. It is thirty-three and one third per cent. above the

communicant church membership. This is a splendid record, but there should be great transfer from the Sunday school to the church. The child of to-day is the potency of to-morrow. Three times in a century God re-creates the world. Childhood is the best time for entrance into the kingdom. The child faith is so great that they will come running to God if given a chance. All children are Christian, but they become un-christian if we neglect them. It is a heresy to suppose that the child must pass into a state of service to the devil before it can serve God. Put added and tremendous emphasis on the light-house plan of saving human souls.

Rev. and Mrs. J. G. Breden sang beautifully from their own composition, a most heart-reaching duet.

The minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

The report of the Committee on Candidates for the Ministry was read and approved as follows:

REPORT ON CANDIDATES FOR THE MINISTRY.

The following persons appeared before the Committee on Candidates for the Ministry: Everett E. Johnson, Paul E. Blakney, W. R. Seitzinger, and Fred A. Roberts.

We find them clear in doctrine and in harmony with the Church.

Everett E. Johnson and Paul E. Blakney have the equivalent to a high school education. We therefore recommend that they be received into the Conference.

W. R. Seitzinger and Fred A. Roberts have not the disciplinary requirements of education, but we recommend that they be received into the Conference under clause extraordinary as per discipline page 49, article 4.

E. M. PIERSON,
B. B. PHELPS,
J. T. MCCREERY,
Committee.

Pastors' reports were examined.

Rev. B. S. Billings of the South Illinois Methodist Protestant Church, his credentials having been presented to the Bishop, addressed the Conference on Church Union.

Following this address, Rev. J. B. Connett was appointed to represent this Conference at the Methodist Conference to meet September 3, 1913, near Goreville, Illinois.

A partial report of the Boundary Committee was by motion, given; namely, That the Conference constitute one district. The report was approved.

By motion Rev. J. G. Breden, member Northern Illinois Conference, was referred to Committee on Conference Relations.

Vote on Conference Superintendent. On the second ballot, Rev. J. B. Norviel received the highest number of votes and by motion the vote was made unanimous for his election.

Report of Trustees, Church, and Parsonage Building Association read and approved as follows:

REPORT OF TREASURER.

Funds received since August 28, 1912	$	1,452.15
Funds paid out		898.02
Balance	$	554.83
Assets secured by note and mortgage:		
Mt. Vernon Church	$	500.00
Lawrenceville Church		650.00
East St. Louis Church		1,200.00
East St. Louis parsonage		200.00
Charleston		500.00
Rev. F. H. King		69.00
Due from Northern Illinois Conference		14.47
Total assets	$	3,133.47
Cash on hands		554.83
Grand total in assets	$	3,688.30

Respectfully submitted,
J. C. FOWLER,
Treasurer.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE.

Inasmuch as the taking of second mortgages has not been satisfactory, we, your committee, recommend that no more second mortgages be taken.

Respectfully submitted,
G. W. BONEBRAKE,
J. T. MCCREERY,
J. C. FOWLER,
Committee.

By motion the Nominating Committee was instructed to nominate three ministers and three laymen to constitute the Superintendent's Cabinet.

By motion the action of yesterday granting the Boundary and Finance Committee the power to arrange the new budget was rescinded.

By motion the Nominating Committee was instructed to nominate three ministers and three laymen to constitute the Conference Finance Commission.

An amendment to increase number of both the Cabinet and Commission to six, the Superintendent being a member of each. Carried.

Dr. D. R. Seneff was instructed to prepare the Foreign Mission report and Rev. G. W. Bonebrake the Home Mission report. The reports follow:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

"Behold, I have set before thee an open door; and no man can shut it." Open doors, messengers, and means to send and support them, are rapidly multiplying. God has so greatly multiplied the open doors in foreign mission fields that missionaries and means—especially the latter are utterly inadequate. It really seems that the only bearer now to the full response of a needy world's plaintive call for the gospel is means to send and support those whom God calls and makes willing to go. The appeal of the hour is to the masses who enjoy the blessings of Christian civilization in homes stored with the over-abundance God so lavishly bestows; but, alas! by them, selfishly squandered or mercenarily horded.

The sixty missionaries of our own land, supported by us in our foreign field and the goodly company of native workers, here and there, represent a wholesome interest in our denomintion in the one, supreme work of the Christian church; yet, who doubts that all we are doing could be quadrupled within a year, were all our membership imbued with the spirit of giving corresponding to that of a comparatively few.

Believing as we do, that our Foreign Missionary Secretary comes to the Church from his late tour in the foreign field with an inspired message, summoning us to a vast enlargement of our work; Therefore,

Resolved, That we will give renewed attention to the preaching of missionary sermons, the spread of missionary information, and,

no less, to the insistance on the observance of the divine law of proportionate giving. D. R. SENEFF.

HOME MISSIONS.

Beginning at Jerusalem, Jesus said, "Disciple the world." This mighty task has been going on for a long time and we do not yet see all things put under his feet, but we see Jesus.

The mighty task of evangelizing our home country is enough to call out the most brilliant minds and consecrated hearts.

Every city has its problems for the church to meet. The slums are alive with the messengers of Satan. The darkest spot in this world is the city. There all classes of sinners meet; little children cry for bread, clothing, and fire by which to warm. The cry of the children, the anguish of the old, the miseries of the middle aged are enough to melt the mountains, much less the human heart.

While all these are going on the country districts are also neglected. Vacant churches by the dozen with their spires pointing heavenward to remind people of God, but no one sees him. Then there is the vast territory of the west without any church houses or ministry.

The home missionary task is large enough to try the enthusiasm of a Paul or the devotion of John. Paul preached to the foreigners in their own country. Here we have them on all hands. They are to be Christianized by us, so the United Brethren Church must do her part. Therefore be it

Resolved, That we strive every way possible to acquaint ourselves with the needs of our country.

Second. That we strive to meet the need with a deeper life of consecration.

Third. We give to Dr. Whitney and the Home Missionary Society our most loyal support. G. W. BONEBRAKE.

Adjournment. Benediction by Dr. W. E. Schell.

THIRD DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Devotion was led by Rev. L. H. Cooley.

After roll call, pastors' reports were examined.

Report of Committee on Christian Stewardship was read and approved as follows. Pending approval, Dr. J. S. Kendall, Secretary of Christian Stewardship, explained the new plan of finance and conducted an open conference on the subject.

CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP.

A steward is one who has general control of the property of another entrusted to his or her care, to be used so as to bring to the owner both profit and honor. A Christian steward is a Christian whose master is Jesus; and to whom he has committed a portion of his goods; the acceptance of it implies a willingness and an effort to live up to the requirements which the Master gives. There is no subject the right understanding of which is more vital to the welfare of the individual and of Christ's kingdom as a whole. There is as much, if not more said in God's Word about paying than praying. Many backslide because they neglect to pray, but God only knows how many backslide because they fail to pay. The Bible shows very clearly that God's law of the tither, was known and followed many centuries before even the Jewish people were in existence; the inference is that it was one of the primal commandments given to all men in the beginning, and therefore, binding during all dispensations. This law of the tithe was more definitely given to Moses for the children of Israel in Mount Sinai, read Lev. 27:30, 31-34.

Then, as now, the people were not in open rebellion against God, nor did they deny the right of offerings, but they were laboring under the delusion that they had brought offerings and had been true to him. They were loyal, they had not ceased to sacrifice and worship. They sacrified and worshiped to please God, and yet he says by his prophet, "Ye have robbed me in tithes and offerings." Mal. 3:8. And pronounces a curse on them, Mal. 3:9. Let us turn to the Apostle Paul who was a Hebrew of the Hebrews, a strict adherent to the law. I. Cor. 16:1, 2, was written to men who had been bred to tithing. The preparation was set as a mold; the time to pour in the money was declared to be the first day of the week. Paul directed that the contributions should be first, personal, every one of you. "No one exempted however poor." Second systematic, a matter of principle, and not of impulse. It is to remind us continually that there is something which is owed to God, and that a Christian's wealth is not to increase and his subscriptions remain the same, "as God prospers you."

The program of God for his church calls for cleaner and more definite teachings on the principles of Christian Stewardship as set forth in the Word of God, we therefore recommend:

First. That the principles of Christian Stewardship and Church finances adopted by the General Conference last May be introduced and worked by every local church in the Conference.

Second. That we coöperate with the Conference commission in carrying forward the united campaign of education and seek to enlist the sympathy and coöperation of all our people in the work of the commission.

Third. That we call all our people to a life of intercession for all great benevolent interests of the Church, and throughout the year one prayer-meeting be largely devoted to the united campaign or some interest represented.

Fourth. That all our local churches adapt the new plan of finances and make the every member canvass as directed by the Commission on Finance.

Humbly submitted,
L. E. MILLER,
Committee.

Report of Committee on Education was read and approved as follows:

Pending approval, Rev. H. M. Tipsword, president of Westfield College, Dr. J. E. Fout, manager of Bonebrake Theological Seminary, and Father Mills spoke.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

The importance of education in its relation to the church can scarcely be overestimated.

Philip William Otterbein, the founder under God, of the Church of the United Brethren in Christ, was a thoroughly trained and educated man. It seems rather strange in view of this fact, that the church he founded should have in the past, to such a large extent, neglected or even antagonized education.

Undue emphasis has often been laid on the success achieved by uneducated men. They have succeeded in spite of their limitations, not because of them.

Unquestionably the greatest power comes from a life lived in touch with God, but if that life has had thorough training, the power will be much greater.

If we go back to the Old Testament characters and look for the man who accomplished the most, we find him to be Moses, a man who had the best education and training which could be gotten in Egypt, the most civilized country of that day. If we come down to the New Testament, we find the most useful man among the followers of Christ to be Paul, who was also the best educated man of them all.

We owe it to ourselves, to our fellow men and to God, to make the best preparation possible for service in this, the most strenuous age the world has yet had.

If we look at our missionary work, we are impressed that our most hopeful work, that which is laying the most permanent foundation for future growth is the educational.

True education stands for the training and development of the whole man, physically, intellectually and morally or spiritually. If any one of these is neglected, the training is incomplete and the man falls short of his greatest possibilities. The intellect is trained more or less in all schools, the physical in some, and the moral in few.

Now that the Bible has been banished out of our public schools, where is the spiritual or moral training to be received? In the twenty or thirty minutes a week supplied by the Sunday schools? That is very helpful, but by no means sufficient. With the lack of moral and sometimes the exceedingly immoral influence in our state institutions, no young man or woman has any business attending them until his moral or spiritual nature is thoroughly established.

The only place to-day where education in this three-fold relation can be had, is the denominational college.

If our young people are trained in the larger non-religious schools, we need not expect them to be developed morally. If they are educated in schools of other denominations we need not expect them to be very loyal to our own church.

With these things in mind,

Resolved, 1. That we, as a Conference, do heartily enter into the spirit of the progressive measures to promote Christian education in our Church, adopted by the recent General Conference at Decatur, Illinois, at which Dr. W. E. Schell was elected Secretary of Education.

2. That we, as a Conference, coöperate in a campaign to realize the action of the said General Conference, providing that we secure, as a church, within the next four years, an increase of two million dollars in the endowment of our schools, in a determined effort to raise two hundred thousand dollars for the endowment of the school for which we are most responsible, Westfield College.

3. That we coöperate in an effort to raise thirty thousand dollars to construct a ladies' dormitory, a gymnasium, and practice-school building, and the fitting up of laboratories for the effective teaching of domestic science and art and manual training, to constitute a part of the property possessions of Westfield College.

4. That we are in sympathy with the action of the president of the college in adding the new departments—the correspondence school, and the summer school, and the new courses in the academy, the college, and in the normal school, and that we co-

operate with him in every religious way possible to realize our ideal of a greater Westfield College.

5. That we coöperate in every legitimate way to increase the resident student body to at least three hundred.

6. That we urge on each local church a proper observance of Educational Day.

7. That we appreciate the promising growth of Bonebrake Seminary, and that we coöperate with the efficient manager, J. E. Fout, in his advance movements, and urge on our young preachers the great need of a Seminary training.

8. That each local Sunday school be urged to make the requested offering for the endowment of the Cowden Memorial Chair in the Seminary.

J. G. BREDEN,
Committee.

Report of the following committees were read and approved:

REPORT ON FIRST YEAR'S READING COURSE.

We, your Committee, report as follows:

The class consists of G. W. Padrick, Miss Daisy Bowman, J. T. Story, J. E. Spencer, B. C. Peters, C. N. Gladwell, C. W. Perkins, W. L. Fear, Mrs. W. L. Fear, and L. M. Cooper, all of whom met the committee in person or by letter except C. W. Perkins.

G. W. Padrick passed on "The Making of the Sermon," making a grade of 82%, and asked to be continued in the course another year with the promise to bring up the remaining books next year. We recommend his request be granted.

J. T. Story and J. E. Spencer passed on all the remaining books in the First Year's Course, making the following grades:

J. T. Story—United Brethren Church History, 91%; The Foreign Missionary, 95%; Making of a Sermon, 93%; Extemporaneous Oratory, 97%; Encyclopedic Handbook of the Bible, 90%.

J. E. Spencer—United Brethren Church History, 84%; The Foreign Missionary, 89%; Making of a Sermon, 93%. Each presented a written sermon of merit. We recommend that they be passed to the Second Year's Course.

Sister Daisy Bowman wrote to the Committee stating that on account of ill health and the strenuous work of her charge, she could not read up this year, and requests to be continued another year with the promise to bring up the reading next year. We recommend her request be granted.

B. C. Peters reports he is preparing to attend school in order to better prepare himself for the ministry. We recommend

that in case he attends school, he be excused from reading while in school, but otherwise he be required to bring up his reading as per discipline.

C. N. Gladwell, W. L. Fear, Mrs. W. L. Fear, and L. M. Cooper request to be excused this year on the ground of want of time to read up on account of the strenuousness of their work this year. We recommend their request be granted, but they be required to bring up their reading next year.

C. W. Perkins not having met the Committee, we recommend that the Conference Superintendent urge him to bring up his reading next year.

W. R. MUNCIE,
J. B. CONNETT,
D. R. SENEFF,
Committee.

REPORT ON SECOND YEAR'S READING COURSE.

Your Committee on Second Year's Reading Course report as follows: The class is composed of J. E. Sibert, R. L. Webber, I. J. Knapp, and B. Blackburn.

I. J. Knapp reports that on account of sickness he has not been able to do any work. We recommend that he be excused and be retained in the second year.

J. T. Story was before the Committee and passed on Encyclopedic Hand Book of the Bible, making a grade of 90%; United Brethren Church History, 90%. We recommend that he pass on the books read.

J. E. Sibert was examined on the following books: Encyclopedic Hand Book of the Bible, 93%; The Preacher, 92%; Doctrine of the Prophets, 85%; Exegetical Studies, Galatians and Epistles of First and Second Timothy and Titus, 90%; United Brethren Church History, 93½. Having completed the Second Year, we recommend that he pass to the Third Year.

R. L. Webber was examined on United Brethren Church History making a grade of 76½%. We recommend that he pass on the book read.

B. Blackburn has not reported. We recommend that he be given another year with the understanding that he do some work.

D. C. ADE,
E. E. BUNDY,
L. H. COOLEY,
Committee.

REPORT ON THIRD YEAR'S READING COURSE.

We, your Committee on Third Year's Course of reading report as follows: The class consists of I. S. McIver and H. S. Reese.

I. S. McIver passed on the following: Sermon, 98%; Exegetical Study, Philippians, 96%. We recommend that he be passed to the Fourth Year's Course of Reading.

H. S. Reese passed on the following: Hilprecht, 80%; Church History, 80%. We recommend that he be passed to the Fourth Year's Course of Reading.

G. W. BONEBRAKE,
J. C. FOWLER,
R. GRIFFIN,
Committee.

REPORT ON FOURTH YEAR'S READING COURSE.

We submit the following report: The class consists of I. S. McIver and H. A. Bogard.

I. S. McIver appeared before the Committee and made the following grades: Ethics, 78%; Apologetics, 80%; Pedagogical Bible School, 80%. Having completed the course, we recommend that he be referred to the Committee on Elders' Orders.

H. A. Bogard appeared before the Committee and gave satisfactory evidence of completion of the work left over from last year, and we therefore recommend that he be excused from further reading.

Respectfully submitted,
T. D. SPYKER,
N. E. ROYER,
J. T. MCCREERY,
Committee.

The report of Committee on Church Erection was read and approved as follows: Pending approval Dr. Whitney spoke at night on the subject.

CHURCH ERECTION.

This fundamental interest is the chief corner stone on which Jesus Christ builds his kingdom. The first cry in the progress of the kingdom of Jesus Christ is a house in which to teach and preach the gospel of Jesus Christ, which is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth.

Church erection is one of the first and most important factors in the advancement of the church of Jesus Christ, therefore let us put it first on the stand and paint it red.

Let us read Neh. 2:20. "The God of heaven, he will prosper us, therefore we, his servants will arise and build."

Again we read in Exodus 25:1-8. "The Lord spake unto Moses saying, Speak unto the children of Israel, that they bring me an offering of every man that giveth it willingly with his heart, ye shall take my offering * * * * And let them make me a sanctuary that I may dwell among them."

We see first God wills it, and will prosper those who do his will; and that God commands it and says if ye love me keep my commandments. Home and Foreign missions wait for it.

God's kingdom cannot go forward without it, therefore let us study it, teach it and preach it until we are enlightened on the subject, for ignorance is the curse of God, knowledge is the wing whereby we fly to heaven.

Jesus promised and prayed that he might dwell with us and be in us.

Church erection is the fundamental instrument in his hands in bringing answers to this prayer.

All things are ready, Jesus, the great sacrifice, is slain, the fountain is filled with blood for our cleansing. The word by which we are to be instructed is at our hand, the light to illuminate its sacred pages is promised through the Holy Ghost. Man's soul is dying for the need of it.

All heaven and earth is waiting for *us,* will we stand still? Yea, we cannot; to stand still is to die. We *will* go forward, we will arise and build. We will take his offering and build sanctuaries where the Lord, our God, may dwell among his people. The God of heaven, he will prosper us, therefore we, his servants will arise and build.

Will we, as God's people, see to it that we do our best to make the designs, constructions, and furnishings of the houses of God better and grander than the ones in which we live? If we give God the first and purest affections of our hearts this problem is solved. If God has not the first place in us, the purest and best of our affections, he has no place at all.

We love to give to church erection because it is like the burning bush, she burns but is not consumed or like the rolling of a snow-ball, she is bigger, stronger, and grander at every revolution.

The last General Conference has made a change of General Secretary of the Church Erection Society. We do heartily commend the popular and successful administration of this office for eight years by our Brother, Dr. H. S. Gabel, and let him be assured that our prayers will follow him to his new field of labor as pastor.

We desire to express our most sincere thanks and appreciations to the General Conference for being able to secure such a man of ability, success and reknown as our present Secretary, Dr. A. C. Siddall. Be it

Resolved, That we pledge him our support in his efforts to increase the funds of the Society.

C. N. Gladwell,
Committee.

The Committee on Nominations made the following report, which was adopted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

We, your Nominating Committee, place in nomination the following persons.

FOR SECRETARY.

Everett E. Johnson.
C. O. Myers.

FOR STATISTICAL SECRETARY.

L. E. Miller.
B. N. Sypolt.

FOR CONFERENCE TREASURER.

S. O. Stoltz.
R. Griffin.

CONFERENCE SUPERINTENDENT'S CABINET.

Ministers.

J. B. Connett.
D. R. Seneff.
G. W. Bonebrake.
E. M. Pierson.
O. J. Bogard.
T. D. Spyker.

Laymen.

John Starns.
L. A. Rider.
C. E. Bigelow.
C. C. Rose.
H. G. Taylor.
J. M. England.

TRUSTEES WESTFIELD COLLEGE.

M. L. Brisco.
Ed. Fredenberger.
J. B. Norviel.
L. H. Cooley.

CONFERENCE COMMISSION.

Ministers.

J. B. Connett.
D. R. Seneff.
G. W. Bonebrake.
E. M. Pierson.

O. J. Bogard.
T. D. Spyker.

Laymen.

John Starns.
L. A. Rider.
C. E. Bigelow.
C. C. Rose.
H. G. Taylor.
J. M. England.

We recommend that under present conditions, the present Board of Church and Parsonage Building Association remain as it is.

W. R. Muncie,
N. E. Royer,
G. W. Ball,
Committee.

By motion Rev. M. L. Watson was referred to Committee on Conference Relations.

Adjournment. Benediction by Rev. J. B. Connett.

FOURTH DAY—SATURDAY MORNING.

Devotion was led by Miss Sarah D. Bowman.

The Bishop gave a stirring address on the subject of "Revivals." Revivals, he said, are for the conversion of sinners and the edification of saints. The first requisite of the church is to feel the need of revival and to want a revival. Some objections are made to revivals, the principle one being that they are periods of spontaneous excitement. Granted so, Pentecost lasted only one day, and changed the face of the whole world. It began with a prayer. Every true revival comes down from heaven in answer to earnest prayer. If all the agencies of the church were set to the work of reaching and bringing in the unsaved, this would be the greatest year of the Conference.

The minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

By motion the Church and Building Association were given power to accept a second mortgage on the Charleston church enterprise.

Report of Committee on Elders' Orders was read and approved as follows:

REPORT ON ELDERS' ORDERS.

We, your Committee on Elders' Orders, report as follows: W. O. Albert and I. S. McIver appeared before the Committee and answered the questions as per discipline. Therefore we recommend that they be admitted to Elders' Orders.

G. W. BONEBRAKE,
J. C. FOWLER,
H. W. BROADSTONE,
Committee.

By motion instructions were given to those that have been in the reading course five or six years that they will be required to complete the course year by year or be referred to their quarterly conferences as per discipline.

Pastors' reports were examined.

By motion G. W. Reid was referred to the Committee on Conference Relations.

By motion the hour of ten-thirty was set for the special order of church union.

By motion the Statistical Committee was instructed to find the discrepancy of membership reported.

A substitute that the figures of this year's reports be accepted and if not given correct next year, the Conference censure him, carried.

By motion every pastor was required to give comparisons next year and that report not be accepted until said comparisons are given.

The hour of ten-thirty having arrived, the special order of Church Union of the United Brethren and the Methodist Protestant Church was considered. By motion the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That we endorse the syllabus of union agreed upon by the joint commissions and recommend that it go to the people for final action.

The following telegram was received:

Muncie, Ind., Aug. 22, 1913.

Bishop Fout, care U. B. Conference:

Vote of Indiana almost unanimous in favor of union.

E. T. HOWE, Sec'y.

Report of the Boundary and Finance Committee was read and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF BOUNDARY AND FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Your committee submits the following report:

We recommend that Liberty Hill and Williams Chapel appointments be detached from Greenup Circuit and attached to Johnstown Circuit, and that the remaining appointments of Greenup Circuit be placed under the care of Johnstown Circuit.

That Woodriver and Delhi constitute Woodriver Mission Circuit.

That St. Francisville appointment constitute St. Francisville Station and that the remaining appointments of St. Francisville Circuit with Adams Corners and Patton appointments constitute St. Francisville Circuit.

That Centenary be detached from Sumner, and Otterbein and Kimmel appointments be detached from Parkersburg Circuit and that these appointments connected with Nye's Chapel and Pleasant Grove constitute Otterbein Circuit.

That Seminary appointment be detached from Olney Circuit and attached to Parkersburg Circuit.

That Ashmore Circuit be known as Charleston Circuit.

That Shiloh be detached from Martinsville Circuit and placed under the care of Westfield Station.

That Diana be detached from Johnstown Circuit and attached to Westfield Circuit.

That Bethel be detached from Rossville Circuit and be supplied by the Superintendent.

That Union appointment be detached from Oakwood Circuit and Blue Mound appointment be detached from White Heath Circuit to constitute Blue Mound Circuit.

That Pleasant Grove appointment be detached from Danville Circuit and attached to Oakwood Circuit, and that Perrysville Avenue appointment be attached to Danville Circuit.

That Brush Creek appointment be attached to Oblong.

We recommend that the Conference constitute one district.

We recommend that $50.00 be appropriated to White Heath Circuit for evangelistic purposes at Galesville under the supervision of the Superintendent.

We further recommend that we accept the apportionment to us in the General Budget.

APPROPRIATIONS.

Toledo	$250 00
Marshall	250 00
Danville	200 00

Charleston	400 00
Lawrenceville	150 00
Flora	250 00
Mt. Vernon	500 00
East St. Louis (by Christian Endeavor Branch)	650 00

Conference Superintendent's Salary and General Budget:

	Supt. Salary	Budget
Avena	$ 21 00	$ 180 00
Blue Mound	27 00	180 00
Bethel	10 00	55 00
Broadlands	35 00	245 00
Birds	30 00	220 00
Beecher City	21 00	180 00
Bluford	35 00	250 00
Charleston Station	11 00	100 00
Charleston Circuit	27 00	180 00
Chesterville	21 00	175 00
Casey Station	35 00	250 00
Casey Circuit	38 00	255 00
Clarksburg	24 00	200 00
Danville Station	31 00	210 00
Danville Circuit	41 00	265 00
East St. Louis	10 00	75 00
Fisher	30 00	210 00
Flora Station	15 00	160 00
Flora Circuit	27 09	215 00
Findley	26 00	198 00
Galton	32 00	225 00
Island Grove	21 00	180 00
Johnstown	24 00	175 00
Loogotee	32 00	225 00
Locust Grove	32 00	225 00
Lawrenceville	25 00	200 00
Mt. Vernon	14 00	120 00
Martinsville	41 00	265 00
Marshall Station	17 00	150 00
New Hebron	38 00	260 00
Oakwood	37 00	240 00
Olney Station	35 00	250 00
Olney Circuit	38 00	245 00
Oblong	25 00	194 00
Otterbein	30 00	245 00
Potomac	38 00	245 00
Penfield	30 00	220 00

Paris	35 00	250 00
Parkersburg	35 00	245 00
Redmon	41 00	275 00
Rossville	38 00	230 00
Robinson	33 00	230 00
Sumner	40 00	265 00
St. Francisville Station	25 00	220 00
St. Francisville Circuit	30 00	200 00
Toledo	30 00	218 00
Vienna	17 00	75 00
Vergennes	30 00	160 00
Vermilion	31 00	210 00
White Heath	20 00	150 00
Woodlawn	12 00	125 00
Woodriver Mission	18 00	150 00
Westfield Station	41 00	280 00
Westfield Circuit	30 00	220 00
Yale	40 00	260 00

STATE CONFERENCE.

Whereas, the late General Conference passed an act enabling the Lower Wabash and Northern Illinois Conferences to unite, and, whereas, there seems to us to be reasons favoring such union, therefore,

Resolved, 1. That we record ourselves as favoring such union, provided it can be consummated so as to form a union in fact as well as in name.

2. That, in our judgment, in an attempt to unite these Conferences, the matter of territorial coöperation with our colleges need not be considered since by act of General Conference that belongs to the Board of Education.

3. That matters relating to superintendency and church extension should be left to the future determination of the Conference resulting from the union.

4. That should the Northern Illinois Conference in its coming session, favor such union, we request that they propose plans for a joint session of the Conferences a year hence, looking to the consummation of union.

T. D. SPYKER,
Secretary Committee.

By motion the Stationing Committee were instructed to have the two items mentioned by the Finance Committee printed on their report.

By motion the secretary was instructed to prepare for the Bishop, a copy of the resolution presented by the Boundary Committee.

The report on Christian Endeavor was read and approved as follows:

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

The young people have had a place in the church from the beginning, as we are able to see. They are recognized in the writings of John.

Christian Endeavor is not apart from the church, but rather a definite and vital part of the church. Christian Endeavor is the church meeting in the young people's services; the church working in its young people's committees; the church praying through the voice of its youth. As we see the mass of young lives, may we get a vision of the vital relation, the Christian Endeavor should hold to the kingdom.

As every life, especially every young life is a stream, "possibly some undiscovered Niagara leaping on its way toward the great Ocean of Eternity." If there is no purpose in that life, no aim, no definite determination, no self-control, that life must not only be a failure, but a wreck. Therefore the young people's society is of vital importance to their well being and also to the social church and whereas no other organization in the church aims at such a well rounded development of Christian character, and tends towards such practical efficiency in Christian service.

From this camp of training, we are able to see those that are inspired in faith, hope, love, conviction, purpose, and ambition.

We can safely look to the Junior and Senior Endeavor societies of Lower Wabash Branch for leaders in the future in all departments of church activity that have a vision, gathered through the knowledge of such addresses as Bishop A. T. Howard, Dr. S. Keister, and the most splendid and excellent papers that were brought before the convention recently held at Robinson, Illinois.

It is very commendable and gratifying to see the young people of the Conference pledge ten cents per member for foreign missions and stand again by the East St. Louis enterprise with a $650.00 pledge to the pastor, thus making it possible for us as a church to establish ourselves in that great city, which is a doorway to the west, or a modern Ephesus.

According to the International Endeavor Convention held at Los Angeles, California, the outstanding aims for the next two years are expressed in these slogans "Increased Efficiency."

"A saloonless nation in 1920."
"The Quiet Hour."
"Loyalty to Christian Endeavor."

Therefore, let it be

Resolved, 1. That all who are concerned, provide well for the training of the young life.

2. That the parents and officials of the church give the endeavors our most hearty support, encouragement, sympathy, and love.

3. That there will be a combined and united effort made for a campaign of education and of closer coöperation of all temperance organizations in securing a prohibition amendment to the United States Constitution.

4. That the Quiet Hour be given new emphasis with the prayer, that all members may increase their personal devotion to Jesus Christ and the Word of God.

5. That the Endeavorers loyally coöperate with the General Secretary, H. F. Shupe, in making successful the budget plan of finance so that the young people's work as well as every department of the church may be advanced.

Humbly submitted,
H. A. Bogard, Committee.

The report of the General Church Erection Board of Directors was read and approved as follows:

REPORT OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS GENERAL CHURCH ERECTION.

The Board consists of Rev. B. B. Phelps, C. A. Dwyer, W. L. Duncan, J. B. Norviel, and E. M. Pierson; Rev. B. B. Phelps, chairman; Rev. E. M. Pierson, secretary.

In a meeting of the Board, August 24, 1912, it was decided to authorize Rev. F. H. King of Paris, to look after and dispose of the Good Hope church property on Vermilion Circuit. This he did for $100 by the consent of the Board and turned the money into the treasury of the Board, November 1, 1912. The Board also decided to put the parsonage property at Metropolis, the Licking church, and the Sidney church properties in the care of the presiding elder of the district in which they are located. Therefore, C. A. Dwyer, during the year disposed of the Sidney church property for $300, and after expenses were all paid, there was turned into the treasury, May 10, 1913, $269, making a total in the treasury during the year of $369. Paid to Rev. J. C. Fowler, Treasurer of Trustees, Church and Parsonage Building Association, April 24, 1913, $100, and May 10, 1913, $269, leaving the treasury empty. The Metropolis and Licking properties were not disposed of. A meeting of the Board was held at Paris, Illinois, August 21, 1913, and signed a petition for a loan from the General Church Erection Board of $3,500, to Rossville church enterprise. We have not yet received from the General Church

Erection Secretary our proportion of the Easter offering because of not having asked for it, but we expect to right away.

Respectfully submitted,
B. B. PHELPS, Chairman.
E. M. PIERSON, Secy-Treas.

By motion this Board was continued in office.

Adjournment. Benediction by Rev. R. Griffin.

FOURTH DAY—SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

The Beneficiary Association held its annual session at this time.

Conference then convened.

By motion the figures of last year on reports of the four charges failing to report this year are to be incorporated in the report this year, by the Statistical Committee.

The following report was read and approved:

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Amount received and disbursed up to Conference:

Church Extension Fund.

Balance on hand, September 1, 1913	$	230 97
Borrowed of Rev. McCreery—Preacher's Aid		285 00
Borrowed of Bank		700 00
Received of Pastors		740 57
Total	$	1,956 54

Disbursements.

To Preacher's Aid Treasurer	$	700 00
To Interest		31 50
To Pastors		1,075 00
To Bank		200 00
Total	$	2,006 50
Overpaid to Pastors		49 96

Other Conference Claims.

Balance on hand, January 1, 1913, Conference Extension Fund	$	64 99
Received for Foreign Missions		140 79

Received for Home Missions		235 89
Received for Church Erection		80 11
Received for General Conference Extension		24 00
Received for Westfield College		17 93
Received for Bishop's Salary		42 27
Received for Contingent Fund		41 00
Received for Beneficiary Education		2 45
Received for Bonebrake Seminary		12 00
Received for J. T. McCreery		195 00
Total	$	856 43
Paid to S. S. Hough	$	138 34
Paid to C. Whitney		204 91
Paid to L. O. Miller		114 11
Paid to W. R. Funk		195 93
Total	$	653 29
Balance		203 14
Total	$	856 43

Conference Receipts.

On Home Missions	$	385 92
On Foreign Missions		562 79
On Conference Church Extension		1,297 36
On Bishop's Salary		593 93
On Preacher's Aid		163 00
On S. S. General Fund		85 58
On Beneficiary Education		66 50
On Bonebrake Seminary		152 10
On Westfield College		453 58
On Annual Conference Expenses		158 50
On General Conference Expenses		98 00
On Children's Day Offering		5 09
On Church Erection		66 04
Total	$	4,037 58
Paid to L. O. Miller, General Conference Treasurer	$	2,015 75
Balance		2,021 83
Total of receipts and balance	$	4,037 58

Total of Receipts and Balance.

Grand total of receipts for year	$ 6,850 55
Grand total of disbursements	4,681 62
Balance	2,168 93
Grand total receipts and balance	$ 6,850 55

Respectfully submitted,
S. O. STOLTZ,
Treasurer.

The report of Committee on Conference Relations was read and approved as follows:

REPORT ON CONFERENCE RELATIONS.

W. L. Blackwell, an ordained deacon in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, appeared before the Committee and asked admission to the Conference. We recommend that he be received, but required to pass on the Fourth Year's Reading Course.

Oscar Smith, an ordained elder in the Methodist Protestant Church, was before the Committee and asked admission into the Conference. We recommend that he be received on his credentials.

We recommend that J. G. Breden be received subject to his transfer from Northern Illinois Conference.

We recommend that M. L. Watson, in harmony with his request, be granted an open transfer.

We recommend that the names of C. A. Hall and J. H. Eastin pass the Conference; they are, however, hereby asked to meet all their financial obligations this year. The Conference Superintendent is instructed to notify these brethren of this action.

In the case of G. W. Reid, certified statements are submitted to us tending to impeach his moral character. We recommend that his case be referred to the Conference Superintendent and the pastor of Vergennes Circuit for investigation.

S. O. STOLTZ,
D. R. SENEFF,
J. B. CONNETT,
Committee.

The recording secretary, statistical secretary, Conference treasurer, Superintendent's cabinet, Trustees Westfield College, and the Conference Commission were elected by ballot. Tellers were appointed to count the ballots.

The auditing committee's report was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE.

We your Auditing Committee have examined the books of the following treasurers and found the same correct.

J. T. McCreery, treasurer Preacher's Aid Society; J. C. Fowler, treasurer Church and Parsonage Building Association, and S. O. Stoltz, Conference Treasurer.

D. C. Ade,
C. O. Myers,
L. A. Rider,
Committee.

By motion all pastors were instructed to send to the Publishing House for both the quarterly and annual blanks.

The following committees on Education were elected by acclamation:

Two year term—C. E. Bigelow and D. R. Seneff.

One year term—L. A. Rider and W. L. Duncan.

By motion the following report from the Laymen's meeting was adopted:

REPORT FROM LAYMEN'S MEETING.

We, the laymen and lay delegates of Lower Wabash Conference of the United Brethren Church, assembled in Paris, Illinois, August 23, submit to the Annual Conference these following resolutions:

First. We have heard with pleasure and profit the many addresses of our beloved Bishop H. H. Fout, and join with him in calling on all the families in the bounds of this Conference for a fuller consecration of their lives to the Christ and the interest of the Church. We join with the Bishop in calling on all the families of our Church to a strict observation of family prayer and other means of family devotion.

Second. We deplore the materialistic tendency of this age and do most earnestly implore the membership of our Church especially of our young people to seek first the kingdom of God and the advancing of the same in all the earth.

Third. We believe the Bible to be the standard and rule for life socially, commercially, and religiously. We therefore call upon our Church to give it a larger place in the family life.

Fourth. We most heartily endorse the new plan of finances and do call upon all our Church to enter heartily into the introducing and working the same in their churches. As laymen, we pledge our support and coöperation with the pastors and conference commission in carrying out the General Conference program of work.

Fifth. We are convinced that the new apportionments for benevolences is what is needed in our Church to lift our Conference to a plan of her possibilities financially. We do urge that our brethren in the layety throughout the Conference, seek to bring their individual churches to the highest possible standard of efficiency.

Resolved, That we recommend to the Annual Conference that the necessary expenses be collected on each charge to pay expenses of the pastor and delegate to Annual Conferencee.

THE LAYMEN.

The following report on Sunday school was read and adopted:

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOL.

As pastors, we are gathered together in this Conference to give the larger attention, probably, to the work of the minister in his relation to the preaching service of the church. But I dare say that in many instances, judging from the feeble efforts of your humble servant, the writer of this paper, that the teaching service of the church, commonly known as the Sunday school, is doing a greater work in real seed sowing and harvest gathering. Marion Lawrance, prince of Sunday-school experts, has said, "The preacher is, as it were, across the street from the pupils of the school; the superintendent is at arm's length; but the Sunday-school teacher is face to face."

I took a piece of plastic clay
And idly fashioned it one day,
And as my fingers pressed it still,
It moved and yielded to my will.

I came again when days were past,
The bit of clay was hard at last;
The form I gave it, still it bore,
And I could change that form no more.

I took a piece of living clay
And gently formed it day by day,
And moulded with my power and art
A young child's soft and yielding heart.

I came again when years were gone
It was a man I looked upon;
He still that early impress wore,
And I could change him never more.

What a glorious opportunity and likewise what a tremendous responsibility! Should we not as pastors resolve here and now to

give greater attention the coming year than ever before to this great arm of the church? Some one has said, and very truly too, that "the Sunday school is the Golden Gate to the church's Promised Land." That is certainly a beautiful way to look upon the teaching service of the church.

The Sunday school, like all other departments of the church, must have the watch care and interest of the pastor, and every wide-awake pastor will be glad for this splendid opportunity because in a large degree the Bible and religious instruction are omitted to-day from the public school, and there is less religious instruction in the home than formerly. The family altar with its influence upon the religious life of the community, has never been surpassed as a factor in religious education; but the type is diminishing. Thus it is that the Sunday school is the only agency which is systematically and comprehensively seeking to train children morally and religiously and turn them toward and into the church.

To help mightily in making this wonderfully important institution stronger in equipment, efficiency, and far-reaching results, let us, as pastors, earnestly and heroicly coöperate with our newly elected Secretary of the Sunday-school Board, Rev. C. W. Brewbaker, in carrying out the following advance movements which he suggests:

1. A thoroughly graded, up-to-date Sunday school in every local church, with the graded lessons if possible.
2. A Teacher-Training Class in every Sunday school. We give the beautiful International Diploma when the work is completed in any of the courses.
3. Emphasize the taking of our own literature.
4. The taking of the Children's Day offering from every school for the Sunday-school work.
5. Plan to increase the enrollment of every school and re-enlist all the old scholars that have drifted away, by means of a rousing increased campaign and Sunday-school Rally. Where opportunity and needs are ripe, establish a new Sunday school.

This will mean immediate action—as soon as we reach our field of labor for the coming year and keeping constantly at it until every United Brethren Sunday school is as good, if not better than any Sunday school in the community.

EVERETT E. JOHNSON.

By motion the offering for the Otterbein Monument is to be taken at the night service.

By motion the following committees were continued for another year:

Foreign and Home Missions, Sunday-school Board of Control, except that in the latter C. C. Rose was elected to take the place of J. B. Norviel.

The Standing Committees and Committees on Reading Courses were appointed by the Bishop and approved by the Conference.

By motion the location of the next Conference was left with the Superintendent and his cabinet.

By motion Rev. J. E. Sibert and J. E. Spencer were changed to the active itinerant list.

By motion the Committee on Memoirs was continued.

The report of Committee on Resolutions was read and approved as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

The church—We are profoundly grateful to Almighty God for the gift of his Son who established his church upon earth and provided a way whereby man may be restored to righteousness and adopted into the family of God. Therefore,

Resolved, That we will maintain and emphasize a vital and spiritual union with Christ and will give our hearty support to each and all of the institutions of the church.

Non-conformity to the world—Inasmuch as the Lord has commanded us not to be conformed to this world, to lay apart all filthiness and superfluity of naughtiness, and as the principles of the Christian religion as taught by both the precepts and example of our Savior are in strict and perfect accordance with these commandments, we therefore humbly beseech and admonish the members of our Church to observe them. That the ministers of the United Brethren Church lift their voice against the social evils of the present age—the liquor traffic, Sabbath desecration, the moving picture show, joy riding, and madam fashion, all of which have a tendency to keep our young men and women away from our church.

The cry "to the front" has never sounded so clear to the forces of righteousness, and the open doors of opportunity for service have never called upon the armies of God for earnest, forward action as now. Therefore

Resolved, That every pastor and layman pledge their most loyal support that the every member canvass and weekly offering system be adopted and worked by all our churches for local church support and benevolent offerings.

Church union is a live issue and one that is vital to the accomplishment of God's great purpose, the evangelizing of the world and the salvation of men. Therefore,

Resolved, That we as ministers and laymen of this Conference, give our united support and most earnest prayers to the action of this Conference, that the union of the Methodist Protestant Church and the United Brethren in Christ may be realized in the near future.

Inasmuch as we are conscious of the great problems being undertaken by us this year, and the mighty pressure and weight of responsibility that shall attend our Conference Superintendent at every step, we, the pastors and people of this Conference pledge our most hearty coöperation with him in this great work, and unitedly pray God that strength, wisdom, and guidance be given him, that he may lead us this year to achieve the greatest victories in the history of Lower Wabash Conference.

Resolved, That we tender our sincere thanks to the pastor, Rev. F. H. King, and the people of the United Brethren Church as well as all of the people of Paris for the kindness they have shown us and for the hospitable entertainment they have given us. Also our beloved Bishop for his inspiring and helpful addresses, and the earnest manner in which he has presided over this Conference.

To our general officers for their presence and very inspiring addresses, and to the pastor and good people of the Methodist Episcopal Church who opened their church to us for committee work.

Respectfully submitted,
I. S. McIver,
E. E. Bundy,
J. E. Sibert,
Committee.

By motion the following report regarding the Pension Bureau was adopted:

If in the provision of the General Conference Enactment creating a Pension Bureau, a Conference may coöperate with the Bureau with full benefits of its pension provisions and retain for its own benefit all funds hitherto accumulated,

Resolved, That we allow our budget apportionment for this purpose to go into the General Bureau.

D. R. Seneff,
Committee.

The report of the Tellers was given as follows:

REPORT OF TELLERS.

We report that the following named persons were elected to Conference offices:

Recording Secretary—Everett E. Johnson.
Statistical Secretary—L. E. Miller.
Conference Treasurer—S. O. Stoltz.
Conference Superintendent's Cabinet—Ministers—J. B. Connett, D. R. Seneff, and E. M. Pierson.
E. M. Pierson and T. D. Spyker received the same number of votes. T. D. Spyker resigned in favor of E. M. Pierson.
Laymen—C. E. Bigelow, C. C. Rose, and J. M. England.
College Trustees—M. L. Briscoe and J. B. Norviel.
L. H. Cooley was elected with J. B. Norviel. He resigned in favor of the layman receiving the next highest number of votes; namely, M. L. Briscoe.
Conference Finance Commission—Ministers—J. B. Connett, D. R. Seneff, and T. D. Spyker.
Laymen—L. A. Rider, C. E. Bigelow, and C. C. Rose.

Respectfully submitted,

TELLERS.

The changes above mentioned were accepted.
The Bishop again called on Dr. Schell to speak regarding the work of the Educational Secretary.
By motion the final adjournment of Conference is to be after Sunday night's service.
By motion, the Recording Secretary, with the Conference Superintendent and his cabinet, were instructed to publish the Minutes of the Conference.
By motion the Bishop's cut is to be furnished to grace a page of the Minutes.
By motion Rev. E. M. Pierson is to act on the Committee on Memoirs intsead of Rev. C. A. Hall.
Adjournment. Benediction by Father Mills.

The Licentiates are directed in examinations to the following division of labor by the Reading Course Committee.

FIRST YEAR.

F. H. King, Paris, Illinois—The Teaching of Christ, Principles of Education.
O. J. Bogard, Robinson, Illinois—Future Leadership of the Church, United Brethren Church History.
W. O. Albert, St. Francisville, Illinois—Extemporaneous Oratory, Making of a Sermon.

SECOND YEAR.

D. R. Seneff, Moweaqua, Illinois—United Brethren Church History.

J. B. Connett, Olney, Illinois—The Christian View of the Old Testament, Fundamentals of Child Study.

W. R. Muncie, Olney, Illinois—The Preacher, Exegetical Studies.

THIRD YEAR.

E. E. Bundy, Birds, Illinois—Psychology, Exegetical Studies.

D. C. Ade, Flora, Illinois—The Pastor Preacher, Church History.

L. H. Cooley, Longview, Illinois—System of Christian Doctrine, Reasonable Biblical Criticism.

FOURTH YEAR.

J. T. McCreery, Lawrenceville, Illinois—System of Christian Doctrine, The Building of the Church.

G. W. Bonebrake, Danville, Illinois—Ethics, Jesus and the Gospels.

J. C. Fowler, Lawrenceville, Illinois—Apologetics, Christian Nurture.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

Sunday-school at 9:30.

At 10:45, the Bishop preached a splendid sermon from a text found in Galatians 6:14. At the close of the sermon, I. S. McIver and W. O. Albert were reverently ordained.

An offering amounting to $62 was taken for the treasury.

Memorial services were conducted at 3:00 p.m., Rev. B. B. Phelps presiding. Rev. T. D. Spyker and Rev. E. M. Pierson gave the addresses. Miss Shipp sang a beautiful solo.

Following this service, the Lord's Supper was administered.

Fifty dollars in cash and pledges were secured for the Otterbein Memorial Movement. Pledges to be sent to J. B. Connett, Olney, Illinois, before November 15, 1913.

At night a union service was held at the Methodist Church, Bishop Fout preaching another splendid sermon from the text taken from Mark 4:41.

STATIONING COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

Conference Superintendent—J. B. Norviel.

		Supt. Salary	Budget
Avena	J. E. Sibert	$ 21 00	$ 180 00
Blue Mound	T. H. Decker	27 00	180 00
Bethel	H. Wood	10 00	55 00
Broadlands	L. H. Cooley	35 00	245 00
Birds	E. E. Bundy	30 00	220 00
Beecher City	G. L. Good	21 00	180 00
Bluford	W. R. Seitzinger	35 00	250 00
Charleston Sta.	Everett E. Johnson	11 00	100 00
Charleston Ct.	Oscar Smith	27 00	180 00
Chesterville	N. E. Royer	21 00	175 00
Casey Sta.	C. A. Dwyer	35 00	250 00
Casey Ct.	Fred A. Roberts	38 00	255 00
Clarksburg	J. W. Bobb	24 00	200 00
Danville Sta.	G. W. Bonebrake	31 00	210 00
Danville Ct.	S. O. Stoltz	41 00	265 00
East St. Louis	P. F. Kettring	10 00	75 00
Fisher	M. L. Watson	30 00	210 00
Flora Sta.	I. S. McIver	15 00	160 00
Flora Ct.	D. S. Ade	27 09	215 00
Findley	H. S. Reese	26 00	198 00
Galton	C. N. Gladwell	32 00	225 00
Island Grove	Weaver Pierson	21 00	180 00
Johnstown	R. L. Webber	24 00	175 00
Loogootee	J. E. Spencer	32 00	225 00
Locust Grove	D. R. Seneff	32 00	225 00
Lawrenceville	J. T. McCreery	25 00	200 00
Mt. Vernon	Z. H. Byard	14 00	120 00
Martinsville	L. E. Miller	41 00	265 00
Marshall Sta.	E. M. Pierson	17 00	150 00
New Hebron	H. D. Hudson	38 00	260 00
Oakwood	Arthur Beldon	37 00	240 00
Olney Sta.	J. B. Connett	35 00	250 00
Olney Ct.	C. O. Myers	38 00	245 00
Oblong	Curtis Williams	25 00	194 00
Otterbein	W. R. Muncie	30 00	245 00
Potomac	T. D. Spyker	38 00	245 00
Penfield	G. W. Padrick	30 00	220 00
Paris	F. H. King	35 00	250 00
Parkersburg	B. B. Phelps	35 00	245 00
Redmon	W. L. Blackwell	41 00	275 00
Rossville	R. Griffin	38 00	230 00
Robinson	O. J. Bogard	33 00	230 00
Sumner	B. N. Sypolt	40 00	265 00

		Supt. Salary	Budget
St. Francisville Sta..	W. O. Albert	25 00	220 00
St. Francisville Ct..	J. L. Pellum	30 00	200 00
Toledo	H. A. Bogard	30 00	218 00
Vienna	To Be Supplied	17 00	75 00
Vergennes	W. L. Fear	30 00	160 00
Vermilion	B. C. Peters	31 00	210 00
White Heath	E. J. Shepherd	20 00	150 00
Woodlawn	Mrs. R. J. Nash	12 00	125 00
Woodriver Mission .	I. B. Fisher	18 00	150 00
Westfield Sta.	W. L. Duncan	41 00	280 00
Westfield Ct.	W. C. Harbert	30 00	220 00
Yale	G. W. Ball	40 00	260 00

Rev. H. M. Tipsword, Ph.D., president of Westfield College.

Revs. J. C. Fowler and H. A. Lehwald, evangelists-at-large.

Revs. J. F. Fowler and H. W. Broadstone, Conference Evangelists.

Miss Elizabeth Thompson and Paul E. Blakney, students in Bonebrake Seminary.

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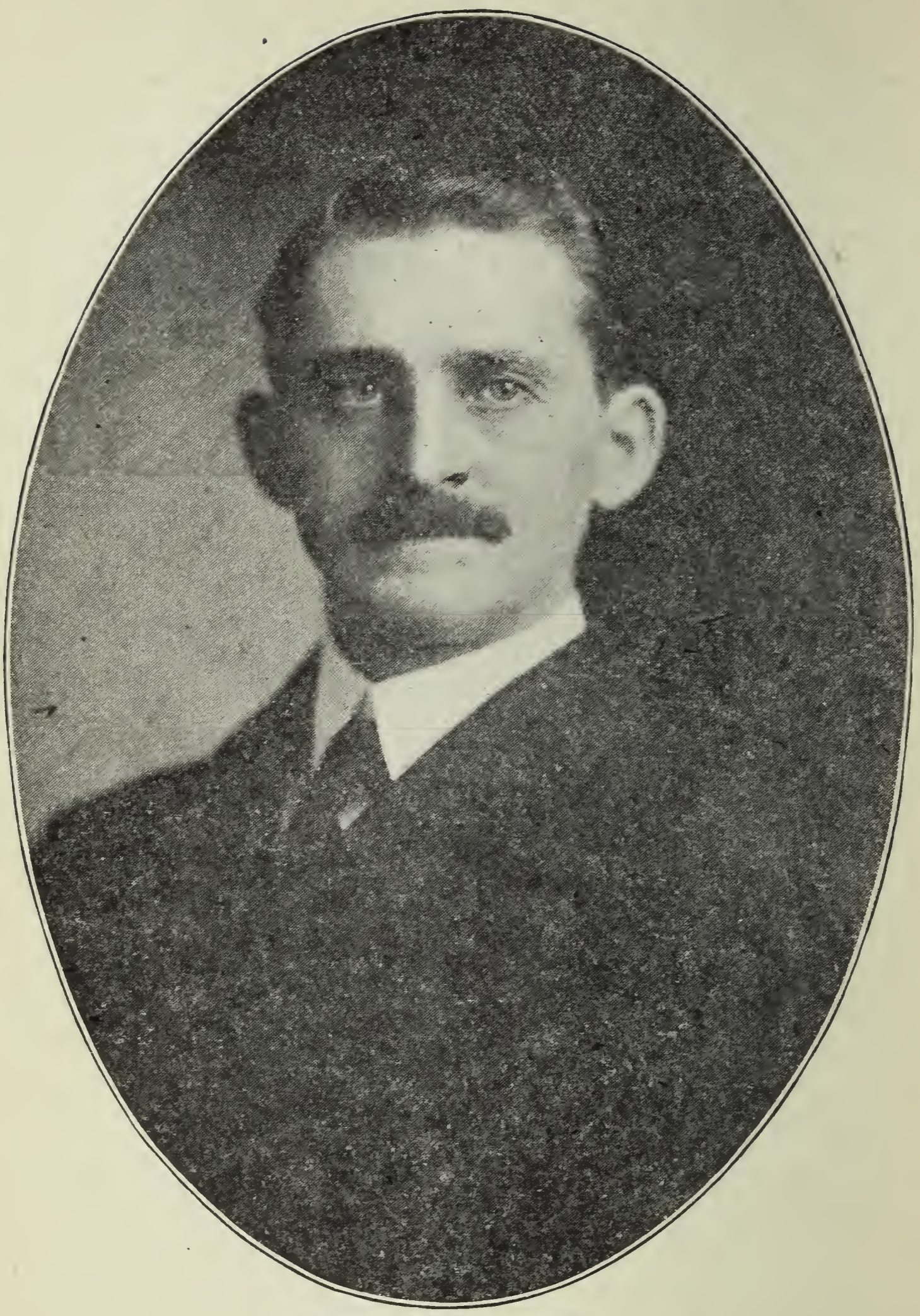

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Class—W. L. Blackwell, H. S. Reese.

NECROLOGY

Of Members from the Organization of the Conference

Cherished Names.	*Died.*	*Cherished Names.*	*Died.*
A. Dunbar	1860	M. Hall	1885
H. S. Stump	1860	S. B. Allen	1886
W. H. Brown	1861	J. L. Cardwell	1889
S. Coblentz	1862	L. S. Chittenden	1892
T. B. Thrapp	1863	A. Helton	1892
A. Sweasy	1864	J. Grim	1892
S. Greason	1867	Daniel Mater	1893
H. Clark	1871	A. Briley	1893
J. Simpson, Sr.	1872	I. W. Williams	1893
J. H. Bedwell	1873	J. R. Helton	1896
D. Stoltz	1874	S. Schlosser	1896
A. W. Hedge	1874	E. Shuey	1897
S. Hayworth	1874	J. Sheets	1898
O. P. Hurst	1874	W. Kauble	1898
J. Severe	1875	J. G. Shuey	1901
S. Stark	1875	J. J. Page	1901
J. Cottman	1875	S. Keagy	1902
B. Lloyd	1875	B. Bussard	1902
J. Simpson, Jr.	1876	A. Rider	1904
D. Ross	1879	S. Smoot	1904
P. Story	1879	W. C. Smith	1905
M. T. Tobey	1880	R. Clark	1906
B. Cole	1880	J. Dickens	1906
J. P. Shue	1880	W. E. Anderson	1908
S. G. Brock	1881	S. Bussard	1908
W. G. Hartman	1881	J. H. Penner	1908
H. Severn	1882	J. Peachy	1908
W. McGinnis	1883	W. Quigley	1908
S. Ross	1883	J. Cougill	1910
J. Tobey	1884	B. G. Wood	1911
A. Collins	1884	D. F. Meek	1912
J. Burtner	1884	W. O. Haycock	1913
P. Brock	1884	J. W. Nye	1913
S. Allenbaugh	1884	W. H. Elliott	1914
S. C. Stewart	1885		

ROLL OF MEMBERS

Active Itinerants.	*Joined.*	*Ordained.*	*Post-Office.*
Ade, D. C.	1909	1897	Yale, Ill.
Albert, W. O.	1909	1913	St. Francisville, Ill.
Ball, G. W.	1890	1905	St. Joseph, Ill.
Blackwell, W. L.	1913		Rossville, Ill.
Breden, J. G.	1913		———
Broadstone, H. W.	1874	1888	Robinson, Ill.
Blakney, Paul E.	1913	1914	Findlay, Ill.
Bonebrake, G. W.	1900	1902	Danville, Ill.
Bogard, O. J.	1906	1912	Robinson, Ill.
Bogard, H. A.	1906	1912	———
Butler, H. E.	1914		Borton, Ill.
Byard, Z. H.	1888	1891	———
Cooley, L. H.	1881	1891	Longview, Ill.
Connett, J. B.	1886	1889	Olney, Ill.
Coffman, J.	1870	1871	Bluford, Ill.
Decker, T. H.	1907	1911	Fisher, Ill.
Dotson, B. F.	1914		Marshall, Ill.
Duncan, W. L.	1894	1900	Westfield, Ill.
Dwyer, C. A.	1910	1900	Danville, Ill.
Fear, W. L.	1911		Vergennes, Ill.
Fowler, J. C.	1887	1891	Robinson, Ill.
Fowler, J. F.	1895	1901	Paris, Ill.
Hall, R. B.	1914	1913	Parkersburg, Ill.
Harbert, W. C.	1888	1891	Astoria, Ill.
Hudson, H. D.	1898	1901	Galton, Ill.
Johnson, Everett E.	1913		Charleston, Ill.
King, F. H.	1907	1912	Paris, Ill.
Lehwald, H. A.	1910		Olney, Ill.
McCreery, J. T.	1891	1898	Lawrenceville, Ill.
McIver, I. S.	1902	1913	Flora, Ill.
Miller, L. E.	1900	1903	Marshall, Ill.
Muncie, W. R.	1877	1880	Olney, Ill.
Myers, C. O.	1904	1907	Olney, Ill.
Norviel, J. B.	1887	1890	Champaign, Ill.
Padrick, G. W.	1902		Penfield, Ill.
Pellum, J. L.	1903	1911	St. Francisville, Ill.
Perkins, W. L.	1902		Casey, Ill.
Perkins, C. W.	1909		Casey, Ill.
Phelps, B. B.	1909	1895	Vermilion, Ill.
Pierson, E. M.	1892	1896	East St. Louis, Ill.
Reese, H. S.	1904		Flora, Ill.
Robinette, J. C.	1914		Toledo, Ill.
Royer, N. E.	1893	1903	Chesterville, Ill.
Seibert, J. E.	1911		Brownstown, Ill.
Seneff, D. R.	1885	1888	Moweaqua, Ill.
Spencer, J. E.	1911		Loogootee, Ill.
Smith, Oscar	1913	1903	White Heath, Ill.
Spyker, T. D.	1878	1884	Potomac, Ill.
Stoltz, S. O.	1897	1900	Mt. Vernon, Ill.
Sypolt, B. N.	1911		Sumner, Ill.
Thomson, Miss Elizabeth	1907	1914	Pesotum, Ill.
Webber, R. L.	1910		Westfield, Ill.
Whitby, W. W.	1914		Woodriver, Ill.

Superannuated Itinerants	*Joined.*	*Ordained.*	*Post-Office.*
Coen, H.	1900	1874	Olney, Ill.
Eastin, J. H	1910		Harrisburg, Ark.
Fink, F. M.	1885	1898	Rose Hill, Ill.
Holsapple, J. W.	1889	1894	Toledo, Ill.

Johns, E. R.	1886	1890	Enfield, Ill.
Keller, G. W.	1890		Taylorville, Ill.
Mills, S.	1859	1861	Westfield, Ill.
Moore, J. F.	1861	1859	Holton, Kansas.
Stevenson. Mrs. D. K.	1891	1894	Toledo, Ill.
Tohill, J.	1879	1889	Oblong, Ill.
Walters, T.	1881	1891	Olney, Ill.

Supernumerary Itinerants	*Joined.*	*Ordained.*	*Post-Office.*
Albert, Mrs. W. O.	1905	1914	St. Francisville, Ill.
Boley, E.	1897	1900	Olney, Ill.
Boster. G. W.	1894	1899	Dahlgren, Ill
Bowman, Miss Sarah D.	1909		Danville, Ill.
Byrd, L.	1909	1885	Rossville, Ill.
Cooper, L. M.	1912		———
Fear, Mrs. W. L.	1912		Vergennes, Ill.
Gladwell, C. N.	1910		———
Knapp, I. J.	1909		Fisher, Ill.
Nash, Mrs. R. J.	1905	1910	Clay City, Ill.
Olmstead, A. J.	1910		Johnstown, Ill.
Peters, B. C.	1909		Dayton, Ohio.
Shuey, W. R.	1862	1869	Westfield, Ill.
Smith, J. A.	1873	1878	Valliant, Okla.
Stevenson, D. K.	1887	1893	Toledo, Ill.
Tipsword, H. M.	1895	1898	Toledo, Ill.

Local	*Joined.*	*Ordained.*	*Post-Office.*
Hogue, C. E.	1914		Birds, Ill.
Kauble, Elias A.	1914		———
Pierson, Weaver K.	1914		Wheeler, Ill.
Seitzinger, W. R.	1913		Bluford, Ill.
Story, J. T.	1911		Wheeler, Ill.

LAY DELEGATES

Fields.	*Delegates.*
Avena	Absent
Beecher City	C. W. Bird
Birds	W. Seitzinger
Bluford	Mark Martin
Blue Mound	J. E. Hiser
Broadlands	C. H. Davis
Chesterville	Mark Cummings
Charleston Sta.	Z. A. Day
Charleston Ct.	C. G. Adkins
Casey Sta.	W. J. David
Casey Ct.	Absent
Clarksburg	J. W. Troutman
Danville Sta.	R. E. Garrett
Danville Ct.	L. Naylor
East St. Louis	Harry Duncan
Flora Sta.	M. M. Boon
Flora Ct.	Absent
Findlay	Mary A. Stump
Fisher	D. A. Crowley
Galton	A. R. Cooper
Island Grove	Noah Clodfelder
Johnstown	Myrtle Sperry
Lawrenceville	W. D. Cook
Loogootee	Nellie Pilcher
Locust Grove	Absent
Marshall	Mrs. M. E. Good
Martinsville	Absent
Mt. Vernon	L. S. Wood
New Hebron	G. B. Wagner
Oakwood	James Myers
Oblong	Wm. Whitmer
Olney Sta.	Clara Ensor
Olney Ct.	Absent
Otterbein	Leavitt Smith
Parkersburg	J. T. Lambert
Paris	H. F. Brubaker
Penfield	Mary Kiser
Potomac	Clarence Griffin
Redmon	J. M. Sims
Robinson	Margaret Fagan
Rossville	Charles Dawson
St. Francisville Sta.	C. C. Ackman
St. Francisville Ct.	Absent
Sumner	Absent
Vermilion	D. S. Vansickle
Vergennes	Absent
Westfield Sta.	C. E. Bigelow
Westfield Ct.	J. M. Hutton
White Heath	Absent
Woodlawn	Absent
Woodriver	Absent
Yale	Wilbert Gifford

CONFERENCE RECORD FROM ORGANIZATION

Time.	*Place.*	*Bishop.*	*Secretaries.*
Mar. 17-21, 1859	Westfield, Ill	Edwards	W. C. Smith.
Mar. 22-25, 1860	New Hebron, Ill	Edwards	W. C. Smith.
Mar. 21-24, 1861	Vermilion, Ill	Edwards	W. C. Smith.
Mar. 13-16, 1862	Westfield, Ill	Edwards	W. C. Smith, S. Mills.
Mar. 26-29, 1863	Centerpoint, Ind.	Edwards	W. C. Smith, S. Mills.
Mar. 31-April 4, 1864	Vermilion, Ill	Edwards	S. Mills, J. W. Nye.
Sept. 8-11, 1864	New Hebron, Ill.	Edwards	S. Mills, J. W. Nye.
Sept. 7-—, 1865	Parkersburg, Ill.	Weaver	S. Mills, G. W. Keller.
Aug. 22-25, 1866	Westfield, Ill.	Weaver	S. Mills, J. W. Nye.
Aug. 27-31, 1867	Prairieton, Ind.	Weaver	S. Mills, J. W. Nye.
Aug. 19-23, 1868	Vermilion, Ill.	Weaver	S. Mills, J. W. Nye.
Aug. 19-23, 1869	Westfield, Ill.	Edwards	S. Mills, J. W. Nye.
Sept. 14-19, 1870	New Hebron, Ill.	Edwards	J. H. Ross, W. C. Smith.
Sept. 6-11, 1871	Terre Haute, Ind.	Edwards	J. H. Ross, S. Mills.
Aug. 21-26, 1872	New Goshen, Ind.	Edwards	S. Mills, R. L. Brengle.
Aug. 4-9, 1873	Westfield, Ill.	Dickson	S. Mills, R. L. Brengle.
Oct. 8-12, 1874	Prairieton, Ind.	Dickson	S. Mills, W. H. Long.
Sept. 29-Oct. 2, 1875	Vermilion, Ill.	Dickson	S. Mills, W. H. Long.
Oct. 4-8, 1876	Middlebury, Ind.	Dickson	S. Mills, H. L. Brengle.
Sept. 26-30, 1877	Centerpoint, Ind.	Weaver	S. Mills, W. H. Long.
Oct. 9-13, 1878	Westfield, Ill.	Weaver	S. Mills, H. L. Brengle.
Oct. 15-19, 1879	Vermilion, Ill.	Weaver	S. Mills.
Oct. 6-10, 1880	Centerpoint, Ind.	Weaver	S. Mills, H. L. Brengle.
Sept. 28-Oct. 2, 1881	New Goshen, Ind.	Kephart	S. Mills, R. L. Brengle.
Sept. 6-10, 1882	Parkersburg, Ill.	Kephart	S. Mills, R. L. Brengle.
Sept. 19-23, 1883	Westfield, Ill.	Kephart	S. Mills, W. R. Muncie.
Sept. 17-21, 1884	New Hebron, Ill.	Kephart	S. Mills, W. R. Muncie.
Sept. 30-Oct. 4, 1885	Redmon, Ill.	Castle	S. Mills, W. R. Muncie.
Sept. 29-Oct. 3, 1886	Centerpoint, Ind.	Kephart	S. Mills, W. R. Muncie.
Sept. 28-Oct. 2, 1887	New Hebron, Ill.	Weaver	S. Mills, W. R. Muncie.
Sept. 26-30, 1888	Westfield, Ill.	Dickson	S. Mills, W. R. Muncie.
Sept. 25-29, 1889	Clay City, Ind.	Kephart	S. Mills, D. R. Seneff.
Sept. 24-30, 1890	Paris, Ill.	Castle	S. Mills, D. R. Seneff.
Aug. 26-30, 1891	Westfield, Ill.	Weaver	S. Mills, W. R. Shuey.
Aug. 31-Sept. 4, 1892	Clay City, Ind.	Dickson	S. Mills, W. R. Shuey.
Aug. 30-Sept. 4, 1893	Terre Haute, Ind.	Hott	S. Mills, W. R. Shuey.
Aug. 29-Sept. 2, 1894	Westfield, Ill.	Castle	S. Mills, W. R. Shuey.
Aug. 28-Sept. 1, 1895	Oblong, Ill.	Kephart	L. H. Cooley, A. D. Markley.
Sept. 9-13, 1896	Paris, Ill.	Mills	L. H. Cooley, A. D. Markley.
Sept. 22-26, 1897	Clay City, Ind.	Weaver	L. H. Cooley, A. D. Markley.
Sept. 21-25, 1898	Terre Haute, Ind.	Castle	L. H. Cooley, A. D. Markley.
Aug. 30-Sept. 3, 1899	Westfield, Ill.	Castle	L. H. Cooley, A. D. Markley.
Sept. 5-9, 1900	Olney, Ill.	Weaver	L. H. Cooley, A. D. Markley.
Sept. 4-8, 1901	Casey, Ill.	Hott	L. H. Cooley, A. D. Markley.
Aug. 27-31, 1902	Oblong, Ill.	Mathews	L. H. Cooley, A. D. Markley.
Aug. 26-30, 1903	Terre Haute, Ind.	Mathews	L. H. Cooley, A. D. Markley.
Aug. 17-21, 1904	Mt. Vernon, Ill.	Mathews	L. H. Cooley, J. A. Hawkins.
Sept. 6-11, 1905	Olney, Ill.	Mathews	Edw. Boley, A. D. Markley.
Aug. 29-Sept. 2, 1906	Westfield, Ill.	Mathews	A. D. Markley, W. L. Perkins.
Aug. 21-25, 1907	Terre Haute, Ind.	Mathews	A. D. Markley, L. H. Cooley.
Aug. 19-23, 1908	Paris, Ill.	Mathews	A. D. Markley, L. H. Cooley.
Aug. 18-22, 1909	Casey, Ill.	Mathews	A. D. Markley, L. H. Cooley.
Sept. 7-11, 1910	Robinson, Ill.	Bell	L. H. Cooley, W. L. Perkins.
Aug. 23-27, 1911	Danville, Ill.	Mathews	L. H. Cooley, C. A. Dwyer.
Aug. 21-25, 1912	St. Francisville, Ill.	Mathews	L. H. Cooley, L. E. Miller.
Aug. 20-24, 1913	Paris, Ill.	Fout	Ev. E. Johnson, L. E. Miller.
Aug. 19-23, 1914	Rossville, Ill.	Fout	Ev. E. Johnson, L. E. Miller.

FIELD OF LABOR	NAME OF PREACHER	No. Churches on Charge	No. Churches Disorganized	Beginning of Year	Received by Conf. of Faith	Received by Letter or Transfer	Rec'd by Change in Boundary	Total in Church during Year
Avena	J. E. Sibert	4	....	160	2	....	....	162
Blue Mound	T. H. Decker	2	....	105	25	....	....	130
Bethel	.....	....	....	37	....	....	....	.....
Broadlands	L. H. Cooley	2	....	149	4	8	....	170
Birds	C. E. Hogue	5	....	162	47	3	....	212
Beecher City	G. L. Good	3	....	160	86	9	....	255
Bluford	W. R. Seitzinger	5	....	406	43	11	....	460
Charleston Sta.	E. E. Johnson	1	....	59	42	10	....	111
Charleston Circuit	Oscar Smith	2	....	89	23	....	....	112
Chesterville	N. E. Royer	1	....	166	8	3	....	177
Casey Station	C. A. Dwyer	1	....	298	28	5	....	331
Casey Circuit	Elizabeth Thomson	4	....	223	4	....	....	227
Clarksburg	J. W. Bobb	2	....	161	36	1	....	197
Danville Station	G. W. Bonebrake	1	....	247	20	4	....	267
Danville Circuit	S. O. Stoltz	3	....	293	16	....	73	382
East St. Louis	E. M. Pierson	1	....	19	6	5	....	30
Fisher	H. D. Hudson	2	....	163	37	....	....	200
Flora Station	I. S. McIver	1	....	143	10	....	....	153
Flora Circuit	D. S. Ade	3	....	221	17	5	....	241
Findley	H. S. Reese	2	....	167	11	....	....	178
Galton	C. U. Gladwell	3	....	155	17	3	....	175
Island Grove	Weaver Pierson	3	....	149	11	1	....	161
Johnstown	R. L. Webber	4	....	165	31	3	61	199
Loogootee	J. E. Spencer	4	....	152	15	....	....	167
Locust Grove	D. R. Seneff	1	....	144	16	4	....	164
Lawrenceville	J. T. McCreery	2	....	289	70	8	....	367
Mt. Vernon	J. H. Byard	1	....	62	1	3	....	66
Martinsville	L. E. Miller	5	....	379	23	3	....	405
Marshall	B. F. Dotson	1	....	98	3	....	....	101
New Hebron	J. C. Fowler	4	....	286	144	....	....	430
Oakwood	Arthur Beldon	4	....	178	81	1	....	260
Olney Station	J. B. Connett	1	....	316	41	15	....	372
Olney Circuit	C. O. Myers	4	....	349	10	2	....	352
Oblong	Curtis Williams	2	....	230	35	5	....	270
Otterbein	W. R. Muncie	5	....	303	23	3	....	326
Potomac	T. D. Slyker	2	....	186	10	1	....	197
Penfield	G. W. Padrick	2	....	114	34	....	....	146
Paris	F. H. King	1	....	210	66	6	....	282
Parkersburg	B. B. Phelps	4	....	264	....	....	....	356
Redmon	W. L. Blackwell	3	....	265	23	....	....	288
Rossville	R. Griffin	2	....	228	24	....	....	215
Robinson	O. J. Bogard	1	....	235	60	8	....	303
Sumner	B. N. Sypolt	4	....	452	22	17	....	491
St. Francisville Station	W. O. Albert	1	....	197	21	10	....	228
St. Francisville Circuit	J. L. Pellum	4	....	350	7	3	....	360
Toledo	H. A. Bogard	3	....	166	5	1	....	178
Vienna	.....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Vergennes	W. L. Fear	4	....	269	16	....	....	286
Vermilion	B. C. Peters	2	....	140	2	1	....	143
White Heath	.....	....	....	229	....	....	....	.....
Woodlawn	Mrs. R. J. Nash	1	....	117	....	....	....	117
Woodriver Mission	D. E. Eckert	1	....	64	....	....	....	.....
Westfield Station	W. L. Duncan	1	....	234	....	13	....	247
Westfield Circuit	A. J. Olmstead	5	....	330	....	....	....	330
Yale	G. W. Ball	5	....	326	38	....	....	364
	Total	135	3	11080	1314	181	134	12331

Lost by Death	Lost by Letter and Transfer	Lost by Change in Boundary	All Other Losses	Total Loss	Present Membership	Increase	Decrease	Under Watch-Care of Church	No. Y. P. S. C. E. Societies	Members	Junior and Int. C. E. Societies	Members	No. Otterbein Brotherhoods	Members in Otterbein Brothds	No. W. M. A. Societies	Members in W. M. A. Societies	No. Otterbein Guilds
3	1	....	13	17	145	....	15	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
....	3	....	12	15	115	10	....	....	1	22	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
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2	1	....	8	11	159	10	....	....	1	25	....	....	....	....	....	....	1
3	..	....	11	14	198	39	....	....	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
1	4	....	42	47	209	49	....	....	3	110	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
5	4	....	59	68	392	....	14	....	2	68	1	20	....	....	....	....	....
....	11	....	7	18	93	34	....	4	1	18	1	26	1	17	1	14	....
1	1	....	....	2	110	21	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
....	5	....	....	5	172	6	....	....	1	76	1	30	1	24	1	19	....
1	4	....	7	12	319	21	....	....	1	51	1	45	....	....	1	37	1
....	4	....	19	22	205	....	17	....	1	25	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
1	....	....	....	1	196	36	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
3	20	....	22	45	222	....	25	....	1	30	2	44	....	....	1	34	1
1	6	48	42	97	285	....	8	....	3	68	....	20	....	....	1	20	....
....	....	....	10	10	20	1	....	....	....	....	1	10	....	....	....	....	....
1	7	....	11	19	181	18	....	....	1	41	....	....	....	....	1	23	....
....	4	....	8	12	141	....	2	....	1	50	1	50	....	....	....	....	....
....	4	....	10	14	229	6	....	....	3	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
1	....	....	36	37	141	....	26	....	2	36	1	30	....	....	....	....	....
1	....	....	....	3	172	17	....	....	1	25	1	26	....	....	....	....	....
3	1	....	1	5	156	7	....	....	1	20	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
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1	1	....	15	17	150	....	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
3	5	....	2	10	154	10	....	....	1	39	....	....	....	....	1	19	....
2	10	....	15	27	340	51	....	1	2	123	1	83	....	....	1	20	1
....	3	....	11	14	52	....	10	....	1	25	1	18	....	....	....	....	....
2	11	....	30	43	362	....	17	....	1	25	....	....	....	....	3	15	....
2	6	....	17	25	76	....	25	....	1	35	1	60	....	....	1	11	1
1	1	....	2	4	426	140	....	....	4	230	....	....	....	....	1	....	....
3	....	8	....	11	257	79	....	....	3	78	....	....	....	....	1	15	1
2	14	....	19	35	337	21	....	15	1	80	1	51	1	50	1	40	1
5	....	....	67	72	285	....	45	....	2	62	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
3	....	....	3	6	274	34	....	....	1	35	....	....	....	....	1	15	....
1	5	....	8	26	303	....	....	....	1	20	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
1	4	....	....	5	192	6	....	....	1	20	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
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3	3	....	13	19	263	53	....	22	1	40	....	....	....	....	1	28	....
1	5	89	12	107	294	....	....	....	1	71	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
1	4	....	....	5	283	19	....	6	2	139	....	....	....	....	3	....	2
2	7	37	28	74	178	....	50	....	1	36	1	30	1	18	....	....	....
2	7	....	32	41	272	37	....	....	1	53	2	60	....	....	1	60	1
8	20	58	38	124	367	....	85	....	4	102	1	38	....	....	1	18	....
3	19	....	9	31	197	....	....	....	1	32	2	70	....	....	1	26	1
4	5	....	49	58	302	....	48	....	1	20	1	15	....	....	....	....	....
2	9	....	6	17	161	....	5	....	1	26	....	....	....	....	1	16	1
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1	4	....	22	27	90	....	27	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
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3	3	....	1	7	240	6	....	....	1	75	1	45	1	65	1	87	1
5	1	....	18	24	306	....	24	3	1	50	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
3	....	....	32	35	329	3	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
94	235	240	802	1306	11421	800	468	60	65	2169	22	771	6	201	26	561	13

FIELD OF LABOR	Members in Otterbein Guilds	No. Sunday Schools	Teachers and Officers	Scholars in Main School	Scholars in Home Dept.	No. on Cradle Roll	Total Enrollment	Average Attendance	No. Organized Adult Classes	Organ'd Classes (ages 12-20)	Scholars in Or'd Adult Classes	Sunday School Libraries	Volumes in Libraries
Avena	....	3	31	200	....	16	216	100	2	....	....	1	17
Blue Mound	....	2	14	75	....	8	97	60	....	....	....	....	....
Bethel	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Broadlands	20	2	30	155	....	....	155	110	....	2	38	....	....
Birds	....	4	32	250	....	....	282	225	....	....	50	....	....
Beecher City	....	3	40	293	....	15	318	....	2	....	48	....	....
Bluford	....	5	55	332	....	20	407	....	....	....	....	....	....
Charleston Station	....	1	15	112	10	41	128	87	2	....	32	1	7
Charleston Circuit	....	2	17	76	....	....	93	52	....	....	....	....	....
Chesterville	....	1	18	125	25	....	200	....	2	....	50	....	....
Casey Station	39	1	20	333	25	27	406	223	5	....	185	....	....
Casey Circuit	....	4	48	178	5	12	193	163	....	3	....	....	....
Clarksburg	....	2	7	26	....	....	33	26	1	....	....	....	....
Danville Station	27	1	32	210	14	36	260	109	5	1	85	1	6
Danville Circuit	....	3	28	210	28	30	268	160	2	2	24	....	....
East St. Louis	....	1	10	....	....	....	40	27	....	....	....	....	....
Fisher	....	2	24	96	....	27	123	96	6	3	61	....	....
Flora Station	....	1	14	....	....	28	127	80	3	....	62	....	....
Flora Circuit	....	3	....	....	....	20	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Findley	....	2	25	174	....	15	214	120	9	....	65	....	....
Galton	....	3	28	230	....	28	266	140	....	....	....	....	....
Island Grove	....	3	28	130	....	....	158	93	1	....	15	....	....
Johnstown	....	4	36	160	....	....	196	130	....	....	....	....	....
Loogootee	....	4	35	200	12	30	250	175	3	1	45	1	20
Locust Grove	....	1	19	90	....	28	137	76	....	....	....	....	....
Lawrenceville	17	2	39	297	....	160	496	193	7	6	161	....	....
Mt. Vernon	....	1	11	60	....	20	91	42	....	....	....	....	....
Martinsville	....	5	48	315	....	32	395	....	4	....	75	....	....
Marshall	14	1	13	60	18	17	108	35	3	....	42	....	....
New Hebron	....	4	62	330	20	92	508	....	8	....	96	....	....
Oakwood	9	4	46	257	12	52	352	169	1	....	17	2	45
Olney Station	39	1	23	275	42	90	430	....	3	2	125	1	35
Olney Circuit	....	3	27	....	....	27	279	....	....	....	....	....	....
Oblong	....	2	30	185	....	50	365	130	....	....	....	....	....
Otterbein	....	5	34	330	....	18	348	....	....	....	....	....	....
Potomac	....	2	27	160	7	24	218	100	....	....	....	....	....
Penfield	....	2	27	170	8	36	195	155	3	4	18	....	....
Paris	....	1	17	214	35	20	331	152	7	....	164	....	....
Parkersburg	....	4	45	272	12	28	257	....	2	1	42	....	....
Redmon	23	3	39	237	65	82	397	164	5	....	....	....	....
Rossville	....	2	21	170	34	38	263	120	6	....	58	....	....
Robinson	82	1	22	235	38	48	311	140	....	3	....	....	....
Sumner	....	4	66	....	....	....	416	....	....	....	....	....	....
St. Francisville Station	21	1	19	188	10	16	214	130	5	....	107	....	....
St. Francisville Circuit	....	4	31	255	....	....	286	175	....	....	....	....	....
Toledo	13	3	29	164	16	46	293	100	3	....	....	....	....
Vienna	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Vergennes	....	4	46	282	10	42	380	181	2	2	63	....	....
Vermilion	....	2	29	185	15	21	221	95	7	3	....	....	....
White Heath	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Woodlawn	....	1	13	250	....	30	293	80	....	....	....	....	....
Woodriver Mission	....	1	13	80	....	26	163	....	....	....	....	....	....
Westfield Station	32	1	26	381	40	65	521	200	6	....	275	....	....
Westfield Circuit	....	3	17	140	....	....	157	120	....	....	....	....	....
Yale	....	6	60	300	....	10	370	....	....	....	....	....	....
Grand Total	336	131	1486	9447	501	1471	13275	4733	115	33	1896	7	130

Added Church from S. S.	Religious Telescope	Watchword	Friend for Boys and Girls	Otterbein Teacher	Otterbein Adult Quarterly	Otterbein Senior Quarterly	Otterbein Int. Quarterly	Otterbein Home Dept. Quarterly	Weekly Bible Lesson Leaves	Lessons for our Juniors	Bible Pictures for little Ones	Lesson Picture Chart	Graded Series Beginners	Grade Series Primary	Grade Series Junior	Froeliche Botschafter	Jugend Pilger
....	10	....	20	4	....	100	50	....	45	35	35	....	....	....	....	....	....
18	15	....	15	6	45	....	25	....	....	10	50	1	....	....	....	....	....
....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
3	26	1	15	15	40	40	105	....	....	20	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
15	28	25	60	5	75	250	20	25	125	75	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
....	27	40	10	11	40	200	....	....	20	52	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
26	45	28	55	13	35	240	....	....	38	60	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
17	5	6	50	4	40	5	20	14	10	....	....	....	44	12	30	....	....
2	7	6	....	2	....	....	35	....	....	20	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
8	9	11	30	10	....	80	40	....	50	20	12	1	....	....	....	....	....
18	23	125	50	12	....	300	65	30	50	25	20	....	....	....	20	....	....
....	2	9	50	13	....	89	40	5	55	25	25	....	....	....	....	....	....
....	9	....	....	....	....	52	30	....	35	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
14	27	10	50	12	35	66	25	14	15	....	....	....	....	20	....	....	....
10	28	54	25	5	40	70	60	20	40	20	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
....	5	5	10	....	25	10	....	....	....	10	10	1	....	....	....	....	....
....	16	5	12	6	12	50	65	....	....	22	24	2	....	....	....	....	....
....	12	35	....	4	....	75	20	....	15	30	30	1	....	....	....	....	....
14	24	35	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
....	9	20	....	3	190	....	40	....	20	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
....	11	44	36	10	15	75	30	....	60	30	15	3	....	....	....	....	....
5	12	25	....	3	....	81	30	....	5	36	26	....	....	....	....	....	....
....	12	1	15	....	....	40	30	....	....	....	12	....	....	....	....	....	....
8	14	1	35	30	75	70	15	6	30	30	1	....	....	....	....	....	....
11	22	15	....	8	50	60	30	....	30	30	20	1	....	....	....	....	....
47	36	70	50	14	30	210	70	....	55	50	45	2	....	....	....	....	....
1	7	15	25	5	....	25	30	....	....	10	15	....	....	....	....	....	....
18	51	50	....	15	....	170	40	....	25	22	....	1	....	....	....	1	....
3	13	30	....	....	30	....	30	....	15	10	10	1	....	....	....	....	....
53	70	90	40	20	250	130	....	....	....	50	....	4	....	....	....	....	....
44	7	55	60	11	74	10	52	12	50	74	62	2	....	....	....	....	....
....	70	23	....	....	100	120	15	45	10	....	....	....	54	25	25	....	....
12	26	8	25	....	145	51	....	....	....	60	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
25	20	85	80	10	16	30	70	15	40	20	20	1	....	....	....	....	....
19	16	....	....	....	....	195	95	....	....	....	45	1	....	....	....	....	....
9	21	70	30	15	130	....	60	9	....	20	20	2	....	....	....	....	....
....	15	55	....	7	53	126	55	....	50	55	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
....	27	50	....	7	....	80	25	40	30	18	....	....	....	25	40	....	....
44	33	77	10	1	....	225	50	12	50	12	10	1	15	15	15	....	....
....	14	50	15	13	....	135	60	70	39	40	10	1	....	....	....	....	....
18	.....	60	50	8	....	130	15	34	10	....	10	....	15	24	20	....	....
40	32	60	....	5	55	70	....	40	25	....	50	....	....	....	....	....	....
....	45	100	90	24	....	250	....	....	....	75	75	2	....	....	....	....	....
15	28	60	....	10	24	24	60	10	24	....	60	1	....	....	....	....	....
5	42	40	10	10	....	85	125	....	20	50	50	....	....	....	....	....	....
4	22	25	50	5	25	65	45	15	25	30	30	1	....	....	....	....	....
....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
2	34	10	....	12	50	99	45	15	54	10	49	1	....	....	....	....	....
2	21	11	35	12	....	77	37	20	12	25	39	1	....	....	....	....	....
....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
....	6	....	....	5	....	....	....	....	....	20	20	....	....	....	....	....	....
50	3	....	....	....	....	180	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
....	32	12	....	....	150	60	50	40	13	40	....	1	....	....	....	....	....
....	6	....	10	12	60	....	60	....	20	40	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
30	17	....	60	5	....	225	85	....	....	72	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
610	1112	1607	1178	402	1909	4725	1949	491	1210	1351	900	33	128	141	130	1	....

FIELD OF LABOR	Woman's Evangel	Pastor's Salary Paid by Charge	Missionary Appropriation	Parsonage Rent	Presents Rec'd.	Total Received by Pastor
Avena	....	$ 412 25	$	$ 60 00	$ 31 00	$ 503 25
Blue Mound	....	540 00	.....	.....	30 00	570 00
Bethel	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Broadlands	....	600 00	.....	72 00	30 10	702 10
Birds	....	535 00	.....	50 00	75 00	660 00
Beecher City	1	466 00	.....	60 00	107 28	633 28
Bluford	....	600 03	.....	96 00	38 25	734 28
Charleston Station	5	200 00	800 00	.....	50 35	1050 35
Charleston Circuit	....	300 00	.....	80 00	30 00	410 00
Chesterville	5	625 00	.....	100 00	75 00	800 00
Casey Station	13	1000 00	.....	180 00	32 00	1212 00
Casey Circuit	....	142 50	.....	.....	75	143 25
Clarksburg	....	280 00	.....	75 00	25 00	380 00
Danville Station	30	800 00	200 00	180 00	55 00	1235 00
Danville Circuit	....	950 00	.....	.....	30 00	980 00
East St. Louis	1	.....	1108 27	180 00	15 00	1303 27
Fisher	17	700 00	.....	100 00	.....	800 00
Flora Station	....	450 00	250 00	144 00	100 00	944 00
Flora Circuit	....	451 25	.....	75 00	38 53	564 78
Findley	....	708 48	.....	100 00	30 00	838 48
Galton	....	700 00	.....	100 00	253 00	1053 00
Island Grove	....	300 00	.....	.....	206 90	506 90
Johnstown	....	332 00	.....	50 00	32 00	365 00
Loogootee	....	500 00	.....	100 00	50 00	650 00
Locust Grove	....	650 00	.....	100 00	82 00	832 00
Lawrenceville	15	850 00	150 00	.....	52 00	1052 00
Mt. Vernon	....	207 93	500 00	.....	.....	707 93
Martinsville	13	796 33	.....	.....	42 00	838 33
Marshall	13	465 00	250 00	100 00	10 00	825 00
New Hebron	15	850 00	.....	150 00	25 00	1055 00
Oakwood	5	572 98	.....	90 00	62 90	725 88
Olney Station	38	910 00	.....	200 00	64 00	1174 00
Olney Circuit	1	488 00	.....	50 00	16 50	504 50
Oblong	10	775 00	.....	100 00	100 00	925 00
Otterbein	....	570 00	.....	.....	.....	570 00
Potomac	1	700 00	.....	100 00	60 00	860 00
Penfield	....	600 00	.....	750 00	40 00	715 00
Paris	25	1000 00	.....	150 00	59 00	1209 00
Parkersburg	....	600 00	.....	100 00	53 63	753 03
Redmon	34	700 00	.....	100 00	77 20	877 20
Rossville	....	650 00	.....	120 00	40 00	810 00
Robinson	43	850 00	.....	150 00	105 00	1105 00
Sumner	9	900 00	.....	150 00	114 77	1164 77
St. Francisville Station	....	720 00	.....	100 00	46 55	861 55
St. Francisville Circuit	....	730 00	.....	150 00	25 00	905 00
Toledo	10	490 00	250 00	100 00	35 00	875 00
Vienna	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Vergennes	....	466 63	.....	72 00	89 28	563 11
Vermilion	19	587 00	.....	100 00	8 00	695 00
White Heath	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Woodlawn	....	210 00	.....	.....	8 00	218 00
Woodriver Mission	....	200 00	.....	.....	6 00	206 00
Westfield Station	40	1000 00	.....	120 00	80 00	1200 00
Westfield Circuit	....	253 55	.....	.....	.....	253 55
Yale	....	500 00	.....	75 00	16 00	591 00
Grand Total	363	$ 29885 59	$ 3508 27	$ 4254 00	$ 2652 99	$ 40110 79

Conference Supt. Salary	Local Current Expenses	Church and Parsonage Repair	For New Church	For New Parsonage	For Local S. S. Purposes	For Local Y. P. S. C. E.	Expenses	Benevolent Budget
$ 21 00	$ 36 75	$ 470 00	$.....	$.....	$ 59 81	$.....	$.....	$ 50 75
27 00	47 00	31 00	.....	.....	35 00	.....	.....	51 20
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
35 00	108 00	.....	.....	.....	91 85	.....	.....	114 87
30 00	.....	125 00	.....	.....	200 00	.....	.....	117 85
21 00	292 00	295 00	.....	.....	66 12	.....	.....	49 56
35 00	268 11	10 20	.....	98 72	98 92	2 95	.....	211 01
11 00	170 68	.....	.....	.....	66 63	10 15	.....	100 00
27 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	29 31	.....	.....	23 62
21 00	109 00	112 00	.....	.....	100 00	3 00	.....	83 35
35 00	172 29	25 00	3089 90	.....	211 89	4 00	.....	250 00
36 00	70 00	36 00	.....	.....	204 16	.....	.....	70 00
25 00	.....	67 56	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	18 20
31 00	200 00	300 00	.....	.....	133 55	5 00	.....	210 00
44 00	90 00	24 00	467 09	12 00	80 00	10 00	.....	230 00
20 00	25 00	38 00	9920 62	.....	5 00	.....	.....	75 00
30 00	104 29	.....	.....	.....	59 80	.....	.....	71 01
15 40	144 24	40 00	.....	.....	143 24	.....	.....	95 66
27 00	101 00	250 00	.....	.....	90 00	16 02	.....	66 22
26 00	250 00	300 00	.....	.....	109 36	37 00	.....	102 28
32 00	205 00	188 00	.....	.....	190 00	.....	.....	75 00
21 00	54 58	.....	.....	.....	25 32	3 50	.....	60 00
24 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	42 00	.....	.....	9 05
32 00	125 00	100 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20 00
32 00	173 00	25 00	.....	.....	35 40	.....	.....	102 67
25 00	335 25	890 00	300 00	100 00	204 00	20 50	.....	200 00
12 95	15 20	.....	504 59	.....	53 17	.....	.....	42 65
41 00	178 56	37 50	.....	.....	176 95	1 50	.....	169 02
17 00	70 00	18 00	.....	.....	55 00	.....	.....	150 00
38 00	275 00	150 00	.....	.....	200 00	.....	.....	260 00
37 00	81 10	28 00	.....	.....	114 10	.....	.....	185 60
35 00	144 00	.....	.....	.....	150 76	100 00	.....	250 00
36 50	139 35	23 30	.....	.....	80 00	2 00	.....	92 75
25 00	140 00	.....	.....	.....	150 00	.....	.....	194 00
30 00	165 00	65 00	400 00	.....	100 00	10 00	.....	71 47
38 00	140 00	340 00	.....	.....	110 00	2 00	.....	207 00
33 00	90 00	135 00	.....	.....	110 00	.....	.....	85 00
35 00	215 00	458 60	.....	.....	208 91	39 00	.....	175 73
36 00	127 60	177 55	.....	.....	110 00	11 00	.....	120 85
41 00	240 00	50 00	945 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	275 00
38 00	315 00	138 00	7100 00	.....	120 00	7 00	.....	95 00
33 00	300 00	.....	.....	2500 00	175 00	.....	.....	124 00
40 00	168 00	60 00	9500 00	.....	375 00	.....	.....	265 00
25 60	179 06	.....	.....	.....	209 65	.....	.....	127 26
30 00	281 75	625 00	.....	.....	125 31	.....	.....	200 00
30 00	120 00	10 00	.....	.....	80 00	15 00	.....	82 35
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
30 00	110 00	620 00	.....	.....	109 34	10 00	.....	53 37
31 00	200 00	190 00	.....	.....	125 00	.....	.....	154 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
12 00	60 00	.....	.....	.....	55 00	.....	.....	29 00
18 00	59 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00
41 00	400 00	80 00	.....	.....	175 00	72 00	.....	280 00
30 00	16 00	25 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	23 00
40 00	152 97	125 00	.....	.....	116 00	.....	.....	110 00
$ 1536 35	$ 7523 78	$ 6682 71	$ 32225 11	$ 2710 72	$ 5566 05	381 62	.....	$ 628 95

FIELD OF LABOR	Conference Budget	Conf. Church Extension	Special Foreign Missions	Special Home Missions	Special Church Erection	Special College	Special Bonebrake Seminary	Y. P. S. C. E. Offerings (not for Budget)	Jr. & Int. C. E. Offerings (not for Budget)
Avena	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$
Blue Mound							5 00		
Bethel									
Broadlands		22 00	5 00						
Birds									
Beecher City					6 00				
Bluford			2 50					5 00	
Charleston Station									
Charleston Circuit							3 74		
Chesterville								13 00	5 00
Casey Station								26 00	5 00
Casey Circuit									
Clarksburg				1 00					
Danville Station								25 00	5 00
Danville Circuit								17 50	
East St. Louis									
Fisher							10 00		
Flora Station									
Flora Circuit								35 00	
Findley								15 00	
Galton			15 00						
Island Grove									
Johnstown									
Loogootee		18 00	5 00						
Locust Grove									
Lawrenceville		60 00					45 00		27 00
Mt. Vernon								39 50	25 00
Martinsville							5 90	6 50	
Marshall								5 00	5 00
New Hebron							169 00	20 00	
Oakwood							85 00		
Olney Station		30 00	6 00					18 00	
Olney Circuit		17 00							
Oblong								15 00	
Otterbein									
Potomac									
Penfield		35 00	5 50	5 50	5 50		10 00	5 00	5 00
Paris									
Parkersburg			2 35	2 35					
Redmon									
Rossville									
Robinson		500 00		50 00			25 00		
Sumner							445 00	21 00	49 52
St. Francisville Station								25 00	6 00
St. Francisville Circuit									
Toledo								6 50	
Vienna									
Vergennes									
Vermilion						25 00			
White Heath									
Woodlawn									
Woodriver Mission									
Westfield Station			7 00	50 00		15 00			
Westfield Circuit									
Yale									
Grand Total	$	682 00	$48 35	107 85	$11 50	$40 00	802 74	296 08	132 52

Brotherhood (not for Budget)	Children's Day (not for Budget)	Special S. S. Work	W. M. A. Contributions	Otterbein Guild Contributions	Homes and Orphanages	For Temperance Cause	Evangelistic Work	Bible Cause	Miscellaneous	Cowden Memorial	East St. Louis
$	$ 1 00	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$
					3 00	25 00	40 00		94 00		
		2 10				34 75	10 00		69 79		
					41 00					6 43	
					12 00		62 65				
			12 12				53 09		247 00		
			11 60		2 00						
			80 00	11 00	28 00	25 15	62 00		25 00		
							110 00				
		15 00	39 77	22 25		30 00	4 00			3 63	
		20 00	27 00								110 00
					129 00						
			6 00		18 87						
		2 40				27 00					
	4 00	6 00			6 28						
	4 00										
						21 00	173 00				
					22 35		16 21				
							25 00				
	2 00	5 00				4 00	80 00	1 00			
		1 75	47 00	28 52	4 00					2 86	
		3 17	18 82	36 00	49 00		150 00				
					2 00						
			38 10		12 12				36 50	5 50	
			42 00	1 50							
			24 85		29 50		15 00				
			1 50	1 00						1 47	
			46 06	12 00		41 51	30 00		1090 70		
					5 00				10 00	3 30	
			5 00	2 50	5 00	20 00			20 00		
	3 15										
					4 00	12 00					
	5 00	2 50			9 00						
			45 45		64 00	12 00	300 00				
		4 50			19 87		51 21				10 00
			119 67		14 07	30 00	69 00				100 00
						15 00	51 00		75 00		10 00
			66 00	10 00					125 00		
					208 22			6 75	124 45	20 00	
	4 23	4 00	52 13	9 52	9 00						
	3 00	8 00	15 00	7 00		32 00			41 00		
3 00					5 00		104 73				
					1 55						
					4 00						
		10 00	295 00	20 00	100 00						100 00
	2 50			5 00			125 00				
$ 3 00	$28 88	$54 42	993 07	166 29	817 83	329 31	$1520 80	$ 7 75	$ 1958 44	$43 19	230 00

FIELD OF LABOR	Total for all Purposes	Church Houses	Built this Year	Value	Debt
Avena	$ 1142 56	4		$ 3475 00	$
Blue Mound	908 20	2		2400 00	
Bethel					
Broadlands	1199 12	2		2600 00	
Birds	1023 20	5		5500 00	
Beecher City	1352 46	3		2800 00	
Bluford	1541 34	5		5765 00	
Charleston Station	1707 52	1		1996 00	433 00
Charleston Circuit	633 40	2		1800 00	
Chesterville	1259 95	1		1760 00	
Casey Station	5145 23	1		5000 00	
Casey Circuit	669 47	4		4050 00	
Clarksburg	491 76	2		1500 00	
Danville Station	2259 21	1		11000 00	
Danville Circuit	2117 50	3		9000 00	850 00
East St. Louis	11515 89	1	1	12000 00	8275 97
Fisher	1099 97	2		2500 00	
Flora Station	1407 54	1		2000 00	
Flora Circuit	1167 30	3		3700 00	
Findley	1682 12	2		2900 00	
Galton	202 00	3		6000 00	
Island Grove	709 86	3		2400 00	
Johnstown	457 26	4		1500 00	
Loogootee	1175 00	4		4000 00	
Locust Grove	1284 20	1		2000 00	
Lawrenceville	3515 74	2		11500 00	350 00
Mt. Vernon	1402 99		1	4500 00	2500 00
Martinsville	1547 50	5		8700 00	
Marshall	1188 50	1		3000 00	
New Hebron	2206 35	4		9000 00	
Oakwood	1260 70	4		4900 00	75 00
Olney Station	3126 50	1		7500 00	1200 00
Olney Circuit	963 70	4		5650 00	
Oblong	1501 50	1		2150 00	
Otterbein	1713 00	5		5200 00	280 00
Potomac	1049 50	2		4700 00	
Penfield	1457 65	2		2735 00	
Paris	2742 69	1		6000 00	132 88
Parkersburg	1465 81	4		5300 00	
Redmon	2952 06	3		13800 00	525 00
Rossville	8771 05	2		15000 00	3600 00
Robinson	5013 28	1		4000 00	
Sumner	12448 43	3	1	10000 00	
St. Francisville Station	1492 40	1		7000 00	100 00
St. Francisville Circuit	1885 00	4		7200 00	
Toledo	1174 35	3		7400 00	753 00
Vienna					
Vergennes	1671 33	4		5900 00	342 00
Vermilion	1420 00	2		4000 00	
White Heath					
Woodlawn	375 55	1			
Woodriver Mission	297 00	1		2900 00	800 00
Westfield Station	2852 93	1		10000 00	
Westfield Circuit	347 55	5		4700 00	
Yale	1267 47	5		3400 00	
Grand Total	$ 111,112 56	129	3	$ 273,581 00	$ 20,216 85

Net Value	Parsonage	Value	Debt	Net Value	Months Employed	Conference Minutes Wanted	Illinois State Orphans' Home	Mt. Vernon
$ 3475 00	1	$ 800 00	$	$ 800 00	12	30	$	.....
2400 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	20	.....	.....
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2600 00	1	750 00	.....	750 00	12	40	.....	.....
5500 00	1	1200 00	.....	1200 00	10	50	.....	.....
2800 00	1	400 00	.....	400 00	12	40	.....	.....
5765 00	1	1500 00	151 28	1348 72	12	50	.....	.....
1363 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	30	.....	.....
1800 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	24	.....	.....
1760 00	1	1825 00	125 00	1700 00	12	30	.....	.....
5000 00	1	2500 00	.....	2500 00	12	40	.....	.....
4050 00	1	900 00	700 00	200 00	3	50	.....	.....
1500 00	1	.....	.....	.....	12	15	.....	.....
11000 00	1	1500 00	.....	1500 00	12	25	.....	.....
8150 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	50	.....	6 00
3725 00	1	2500 00	715 00	1785 00	12	20	.....	.....
2500 00	1	1100 00	.....	1100 00	9	30	.....	.....
2000 00	1	1600 00	400 00	1200 00	12	40	.....	.....
3700 00	1	1300 00	.....	1300 00	12	35	.....	.....
2900 00	1	1200 00	100 00	1100 00	12	40	.....	.....
6000 00	1	1000 00	.....	1000 00	12	50	.....	.....
2400 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	25	.....	.....
1500 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	24	.....	.....
4000 00	1	1200 00	.....	1200 00	12	30	.....	.....
2000 00	1	1600 00	.....	1600 00	12	35	.....	.....
11150 00	1	2500 00	1000 00	1500 00	12	40	.....	.....
2000 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	15	.....	.....
8700 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	50	.....	.....
3000 00	1	3000 00	300 00	2700 00	4	25	.....	.....
9000 00	1	1000 00	.....	1000 00	12	75	.....	.....
4825 00	1	900 00	.....	900 00	12	40	.....	.....
6300 00	1	3500 00	280 00	3220 00	12	40	.....	.....
5650 00	1	450 00	.....	450 00	12	60	.....	.....
2150 00	1	1150 00	.....	1150 00	12	40	.....	.....
5020 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	40	.....	.....
4700 00	1	1300 00	.....	1300 00	12	30	.....	.....
2735 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	20	.....	.....
5867 12	1	1800 00	145 72	1654 28	12	50	.....	.....
5300 00	1	1000 00	.....	1000 00	12	25	.....	36 50
13275 00	1	1200 00	.....	1200 00	12	40	.....	.....
11400 00	1	1600 00	.....	1600 00	12	20	.....	.....
4000 00	1	3000 00	.....	3000 00	12	30	.....	.....
10000 00	1	1700 00	.....	1700 00	12	50	.....	.....
6900 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	35	.....	.....
7200 00	1	1500 00	.....	1500 00	12	40	.....	.....
7347 00	1	815 00	.....	815 00	12	30	.....	.....
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5458 00	1	1200 00	.....	1200 00	12	60	.....	.....
4000 00	1	1300 00	.....	1300 00	12	40	.....	.....
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2100 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	9½	20	.....	.....
10000 00	1	1500 00	.....	1500 00	12	50	5 00	.....
4700 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	9	20	.....	.....
3400 00	1	800 00	.....	800 00	12	40	.....	.....
$ 254,065 12	38	$ 54,090 00	$ 3,916 00	$ 50,173 00	584½	1848	$ 5 00	$42 50

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS

Organized churches, 135.

Itinerants, 80; local preachers, 3. Total, 83.

Members at beginning of year, 11,080; end of year, 11,421; gain, 341.

Christian Endeavor Societies, 65; members, 2,169; Junior C. E. Societies, 22; members, 771.

Sunday schools, 131; enrollment, 13,275; teachers and officers, 1,486; gain in enrollment, 3,838.

Telescopes taken, 1,112; gain, 128; Watchwords taken, 1,607; gain, 280; Woman's Evangels taken, 363; gain, 46.

Church houses, 129; value, $273,581.

Parsonages, 38; value, $54,090.

Finances—Pastors' salaries, $29,885.59; Conference Superintendent's salary, $1,536.85; local current expenses, $7,523.78; local church and parsonage repair, $6,682.71; for new churches, $3,225.11; for new parsonages, $2,710.72; for local Sunday-school purposes, $5,566.05; for local Y. P. S. C. E. expenses, $381.62; benevolence budget, $6,289.85; conference church extension, $682; special foreign missions, $48.35; special home missions, $107.85; special church erection, $11,50; special college, $40; special Bonebrake Seminary, $802.74; Y. P. S. C. E. (not for budget), $296.08; Junior and Intermediate C. E. offerings (not for budget), $132.52; brotherhood (not for budget), $3.00; Children's Day (not for budget), $28.88; special Sunday-school work, $54.42; W. M. A. contributions, $993.07; Otterbein Guild contributions, $166.29; homes and orphanages, $817.83; for temperance cause, $329.31; evangelistic work, $1,520.80; Bible cause, $7.75; miscellaneous, $1,958.54; Cowden Memorial, $43.19; East St. Louis, $230; Illinois State Orphans' Home, $5.00; Mt. Vernon, $42.50; total for all purposes, $111,112.56.

NOTES

The examination of licentiates occurred on Tuesday, August 18, 1914.

The Seminary Extension Movement Program began on Tuesday evening and continued through the afternoon and evening sessions during the Conference, except on Saturday evening when the Woman's Missionary Association had charge.

Professor M. A. Honline gave an address on Sunday evening on the subject of "Science and Religion."

The General Officers of the Church present were: Dr. W. E. Schell, Educational Secretary; Dr. W. O. Fries, Sunday-school Literature Editor; Professor M. A. Honline, Teacher of Religious Pedagogy; Dr. C. Whitney, Secretary Home Missions; Dr. A. C. Siddall, Secretary Church Erection; Dr. G. A. Funkhouser, President Bonebrake Theological Seminary.

Introduced to the Conference were: Rev. W. J. Caldwell, pastor Presbyterian Church; Rev. H. E. Butler, pastor Christian Church, Sumner, Illinois; Rector Walter Scott, of the Protestant Episcopal Church; Rev. E. H. Lugg, pastor Methodist Episcopal Church; Rev. King, pastor Christian Church; Rev. G. L. Stine, of White River Conference, on his way to Montana to preach the gospel.

Admitted to Advisory Seats: Dr. W. E. Schell, Educational Secretary; Dr. W. O. Fries, Sunday-school Literature Editor; Rev. J. M. Tuggle, White River Conference, Rev. B. F. Dotson, Virginia Conference; Rev. Miss Lizzie Chapel, White River Conference; Prof. M. A. Honline, Teacher of Religious Pedagogy, Bonebrake Theological Seminary; Dr. C. Whitney, Secretary of Home Missions; Dr. A. C. Siddall, Secretary Church Erection; Dr. G. A. Funkhouser, President Bonebrake Theological Seminary.

The following named absentees sent communications explaining their absence: G. W. Keller, J. A. Smith, Mrs. R. J. Nash, W. C. Harbert, S. Mills, J. H. Eastin, E. R. Johns.

CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

(Official Record)

FIRST DAY WEDNESDAY—MORNING SESSION.

The fifty-seventh session of Lower Wabash Conference convened in the United Brethren Church at Rossville, Illinois, Wednesday morning, at eight o'clock, August 19, 1914, Bishop H. H. Fout, presiding.

Devotions were conducted by Rev. O. J. Bogard.

The opening address of the Conference was given by Bishop Fout. He spoke of the work of the district over which he presides. He placed the greatest emphasis upon the devotional part of the Conference and urged all to be prompt and present at each devotional service, adjourn all committee meetings, and set everything aside for the devotional part of the Conference. And throughout the address he urged every one to cultivate and cherish vital union with God.

At roll call it was found only a few of the lay delegates were present. There was some comment on the subject.

By motion it was decided to follow the time given on the printed program.

By motion, the first six rows of pews across the church were made the bar of the Conference, with the exception of the statistical secretary and treasurer who were granted the privilege of voting from their places of work.

Owing to the fact that the funeral of Brother Van Haas was to be held in the church at 2:30, the Bishop announced that the afternoon session would begin at 1:15 instead of 1:30.

Bishop Fout then read the Conference Organization Committees as follows:

Devotion—J. B. Norviel, R. Griffin, Emory German.
Candidates for Ministry—T. D. Spyker, W. R. Muncie.
Conference Relations—D. R. Seneff, J. B. Connett, L. H. Cooley.
Elder's Orders—W. L. Duncan, G. W. Bonebrake, E. M. Pierson.
Memoirs—W. O. Albert, H. W. Broadstone, C. A. Dwyer.
Auditing Accounts—C. A. Dwyer, Hiram Brubaker.
Nominations—J. C. Fowler, J. T. McCreery, N. E. Royer.

The Secretary read a letter from Rev. B. N. Sypolt in which he enclosed his transfer from Virginia Conference to this Conference.

The Conference Superintendent's report was given as follows:

To the Bishop and Members of Lower Wabash Annual Conference:

This Conference is composed of fifty-four charges, thirty-seven circuits, and seventeen stations, ten of these stations are self-supporting, but seven are supported in part by missionary funds. All charges were supplied by annual conference, except Vienna, which was left to be supplied. I tried for several months to secure a man for this field, but failed to do so.

I wrote to some of the members concerning the charge and they answered, that they did not want a preacher; that a Methodist Episcopal preacher was coming out from Vienna and preaching for them. Brother Duncan, my predecessor, failed to secure a pastor for them last year and I have failed this year.

E. E. Bundy resigned Birds Circuit at Conference. I then appointed Rev. Fitzgerald, but he failed to contract with the people. I then appointed C. E. Hogue, who served balance of year and did a fine year's work; he is greatly beloved by all. His work was somewhat hindered by the death of his faithful wife, who passed from labor to reward March 16. Sister Hogue possessed every quality for a pastor's wife, she was loving and sympathetic and fully consecrated to the high calling of her husband and the Lord's cause. She was of more than ordinary help to her husband in church work.

Casey Circuit was abandoned by Fred A. Roberts after the first quarterly conference. I sent Rev. H. W. Broadstone to this charge, but he did not contract, but served them faithfully as evangelist, holding two or three meetings for them. He gave up the charge in the spring. C. A. Curtis of Charleston then came, but served only two weeks. I then appointed Miss Elizabeth Thomson, just after her graduation from the Seminary. Sister Thomson served balance of year, most faithfully and efficiently, her work has been of the highest class. She has every interest well in hand and has built a splendid foundation for next year.

M. L. Watson resigned Fisher Circuit soon after Conference, and H. W. Broadstone (our general utility man), filled out the quarter, until I could find a permanent pastor. H. D. Hudson was then appointed and served faithfully and well for remaining three quarters.

Our little Mission class at East St. Louis was left without a shepherd, by the death of P. F. Kettring, which occured March 17. This little band was almost heartbroken over the loss of their pastor, for few preachers ever endeared themselves to the members more than did he. His name will long be remembered and char-

acter and life revered by the members of the United Brethren Church in East St. Louis.

Our loss as a Conference was great, Brother Kettring was a man of great meekness and unusual consecration. He was truly one of God's real noblemen.

Sister Kettring deserves the highest possible praise, after the interment of her husband in the cemetery at Terre Haute, she returned to East St. Louis, to her desolate and lonely home, where she took up the work her husband laid down, held prayer meetings in her own home, gave advice and encouragement to the sorrowing class in every possible way she could, for four or five weeks, until I could get a pastor.

She had kept the books and fully understood every business transaction, understanding just what subscription was paid and unpaid, what bills were paid and what were unpaid and what money was in the bank. In fact she had a perfect knowledge of every detail of the church work, from the very beginning to the time she turned the books, subscriptions and accounts over to her husband's successor. Rev. Kettring had borrowed $600 in the fall from a Martinsville Bank, to pay on some of the bills we owed, as some creditors were pressing and even threatening. Thus to keep our credit good he borrowed this money and paid it on debts in East St. Louis. To secure the bank, he took out insurance and put up the policy as collateral security. Sister Kettring proposes to donate $500 of this $600 to the East St. Louis enterprise. Surely we should be deeply thankful to her for this splendid gift and should pay the other $100 at once sending it to Sister Kettring with a letter of heartiest greetings and heart-felt thanks.

E. M. Pierson was appointed to East St. Louis and took charge in May, he is getting started nicely. The basement has been started and completed at a cost of about $1,900. It is a splendid basement, well lighted and ventilated; furnishing an excellent place for worship. Brother Pierson has organized a Sunday school with forty on roll and thirty-four in regular attendance, also a Junior Young People's Society with a membership of twelve. The work is starting nicely and we now have something tangible to show for our labor and money. The work looks hopeful and should succeed. Brother Pierson is a worthy successor of our beloved Brother Kettring.

By appointing Pierson to East St. Louis, Marshall was left without a pastor. Rev. A. F. Mosely, of Kewanee, Illinois, was appointed, but served but two Sundays and then resigned. I then appointed B. F. Dotson, of Ohio, who was on the charge without the intermission of a single Sunday. He has served the class faithfully and efficiently balance of year and will have a nice report. H. D. Hudson resigned New Hebron Circuit after two

Sundays. I was able to prevail upon Conference Evangelist J. C. Fowler to take the charge. He has had 176 conversions, 144 additions to the church, organized 4 Young People's Societies, has 70 Telescopes, the highest number in the Conference, except J. B. Connett, who has 70, but some of Connett's are short term subscriptions. He holds the banner in number of conversions, additions, Telescopes, and number of societies organized. The Sunday schools have nearly doubled in attendance and the 4 new societies have more than 200 members. Brother Fowler has had a wonderful year.

White Heath Circuit was resigned by E. J. Shepherd soon after Conference. I appointed J. L. Underwood to the charge, he worked very earnestly, until about two months before Conference, when his health broke down and he could not preach. He is in a very critical condition and the doctor has little or no hope of his recovery.

Woodriver was resigned by Dr. Fisher, and a young man by the name of Daniel Eckert was appointed to the charge. He has done the best he could and been faithful. W. C. Harbert resigned Westfield Circuit. I had some trouble in getting a man for this charge, but after a few weeks secured the services of A. J. Olmstead, who finished the year, and looked after the different interests the best he could, but has done but little in finance.

The revival spirit has been more than ordinary, nearly every charge has had conversions and additions. Brother G. L. Good, on Beecher City Circuit, has had ninety-six conversions and the charge has been greatly built up and paid one-third more than they had for years. He has had a good year and his work has been much appreciated.

Arthur Beldon, pastor of Oakwood, has had one hundred and forty-nine conversions and seventy-six additions to the church. He saved one class that was dead, but not buried; at this place he had a fine revival and now the class is a strong, live, spiritual class. He has had a splendid year.

J. T. McCreery, at Lawrenceville, reports eighty-five conversions and eighty additions to the church. His work has been of a very high class and much appreciated by all. W. L. Duncan was the victim of a severe accident when packing up to move, which resulted in blood-poisoning, necessitating the hospital and a surgical operation. He was out of the pulpit for five Sundays and could just hobble around on crutches all winter. His work and usefulness has been greatly hindered.

But time would fail me if I tried to tell of the Gideon's, Barak's, Samson's, Jephthah's, David's and Samuel's of Lower Wabash Conference, who have wrought so nobly and well during the year. In fact, I can say of the pastors and their work, that a more earnest,

faithful, and consecrated body of ministers would be hard to find. They have put forth a strong effort to have good reports and an extra effort to get all benevolences full; never have I known the pastors to work harder and more earnestly on finances than this year. A spirit of aggressiveness is in our Conference. Never in the history of Lower Wabash were there so many splendid churches built and building in a single year as now.

Rossville Church was dedicated January 27, by Bishop Fout; it is a real gem of beauty and cost about $10,500. The Rossville people and their pastor are to be congratulated on their splendid success. Elbow Church on Olney Circuit was dedicated in October, by the Conference Superintendent. It is a neat little house and cost $1,600; it was dedicated free of debt, without the necessity of raising a dollar on day of dedication. The earnest, faithful board of trustees deserve much praise.

Centenary Church on Otterbein Circuit is ready for dedication and will probably be dedicated in September. It is a good church costing about $1,500. Mt. Vernon with a new and good location and the house in process of erection, is a hopeful field. This house is forty-eight by fifty-three feet, is a brick veneer and will be a strong, well-built church, the walls will be complete in about two weeks, the work is going along nicely under the leadership of Pastor Byard. When complete it will cost about $7,000.

Sumner Circuit has had an excellent year, all benevolence will be reported full. Pastor and people are rejoicing over success. On Thursday evening, July 16, our frame church in Sumner was struck by lightning and burned to the ground, and on Saturday morning the beautiful new church called Union, four miles east of Sumner, caught fire doubtless by spontaneous combustion and burned down. It was to have been dedicated the next day by Bishop Fout. This church was the finest country church in the Conference, having four rooms and basement under the entire church, it was a splendid building costing about $10,000. A subscription was taken by the Bishop (who was there to dedicate), of more than $4,000, which, with the insurance, $5,000, makes it possible to rebuild.

The ashes were hardly cold when the people began preparations for building. They will build an exact duplicate of the church that burned. These good and heroic people should be highly commended for their zeal and devotion to God's cause and should have our prayers and help. The Sumner people have purchased a corner lot, nearer the center of town and a most excellent location; they have more than $6,000 subscribed and will build a church costing $12,000. Their pastor is a fine leader and has the love and sympathy of his people and the entire community. With such a leader and so earnest a people there must be success.

Our East St. Louis Church Auditorium should be completed next year, and will cost about $6,000, making the total cost of this church about $20,000. This church will be a beautiful and splendid building that should give us much prestage and one of which we may be justly proud.

The Casey Brethren are building a beautiful church of eleven rooms and basement under the entire church. This house is a handsome brick structure trimmed in stone; it is a modern, up-to-date house, library style, and will seat six hundred people. The Casey people are wide awake and aggressive, they have the largest Sunday school in the Conference. They have had a good year under the leadership of Rev. Dwyer. A grand total of $83,600 will be put into church houses built and being built this year.

Our people at Robinson have built a beautiful parsonage of nine rooms, with plenty of closets, a bath room complete and all is modern and up-to-date, costing $2,340. It is the best parsonage in the Conference, and was dedicated without the necessity of raising a single dollar, all was paid or provided for. It was dedicated August 12, by the Conference Superintendent. It is a monument to the benevolence of the people and shows the worth of the pastor as a money raiser. Lawrenceville has repaired, improved and beautified their church and parsonage, by papering, painting, and work on basement to the amount of $800. Mt. Carmel on Avena Circuit has put about $500 on church and parsonage by way of improvement.

Quite extensive improvements have been made on a number of churches and parsonages, but I feel that space sufficient to itemize them all should not be taken. Thanks to these good people for such improvements. There has been 1,823 conversions in the Conference this year, the minutes do not give the number last year. This year 1,504 have been added to the church, last year 1,435, a gain of 69. There are 69 Senior Young People's Societies this year, 41 last, a gain of 28. Sunday schools this year 130, last 120, a gain of 10. Telescopes this year 1,153, last 984, a gain of 169. Watchwords this year 1,502, last 1,427, increase 75. Woman's Evangels this year 470, last 317, increase 153. Number of Woman's Missionary Association 28, the Conference minutes do not give the number last year. I lost my figures on the Juniors, Intermediates, and Otterbein Guilds, but can say positively that each has an increase.

It is impossible for me to get the exact amount of salary paid the pastors, as it is seldom paid in full before the last Sunday, which is too late for my report. I think the salary will be as good or better than last year. I cannot tell about general benevolence, but fear it will not come up to last year. I have helped all I

could in every way, but the awful drouth over the entire Conference has made it almost impossible to collect a full budget.

I have preached 174 times, traveled by railroad, 10,073 miles, by buggie, 444, by Interurban, 285, by automobile, 253, total, 11,053 miles.

Gross salary received	$1,536.85
Total expenses	369.98
Net salary	1,166.87

I am deeply greatful to the following brethren who assisted me in my quarterly conferences:

G. L. Good, O. J. Bogard, E. E. Johnson, N. E. Royer, C. A. Dwyer, G. W. Bobb, G. W. Bonebrake, S. O. Stoltz, I. S. McIver, D. C. Ade, H. S. Reese, J. E. Spencer, D. R. Seneff, J. T. McCreery, Z. H. Byard, L. E. Miller, E. M. Pierson, J. B. Connett, C. O. Myers, B. B. Phelps, T. D. Spyker, G. W. Padrick, F. H. King, W. L. Blackwell, W. O. Albert, J. L. Pellum, T. H. Decker, H. W. Broadstone, and G. W. Ball. Quite a number of these held their own meeting.

I have been on every field and preached at least once; on some of the charges I was with the pastor four times, and many of them three times and every one twice. I have given most of my help to the weaker places, leaving the stronger and less needy to care for themselves which they are amply able to do.

I assisted the pastor at Galenville for four or five nights, preaching for him and was gratified by three conversions, and the class helped and encouraged. I went out in October at the urgent request of the pastor of East St. Louis, for he assured me that the creditors would stop the work, as they had notified him to this effect, unless a payment on their accounts was made by November 1. I secured $100 each from nine persons and $50 each from two making $1,000. I secured $500 from another source, and on the last day of October I placed in Brother Kettring's hand a bank draft for $1,500. I think I never saw a happier man or one more thankful. I went with him to see some of the creditors and explained our plan in financing the East St. Louis enterprise and it seemed to help them. The pastor told me afterwards, that this money restored confidence and gave us good credit with the different firms to whom we were in debt.

I have licensed eleven men and one young lady to preach the gospel, and one young lady as deaconess. All but four of these thirteen are under twenty-two years of age. Two young men have been regularly recommended by their quarterly conference to the annual conference. I refer to Weaver K. Pierson and Elias Kauble. Weaver K. Pierson has completed the Quarterly Conference Course of Reading with an average grade of 81¼, Elias Kauble holds permanent license.

I have not spared myself, but have labored with all my might to be of help to my brethren. The labor has been the most strenuous and exacting of any year of my ministry, but the loving Father has blessed me with health and I have not missed a single appointment because of sickness.

I find conditions in most part very good, but some classes are cold and very indifferent. Oh, how they need a real Holy Ghost revival. Some of the boards of trustees are careless about the matter of property insurance and reorganization of board. I have done all I could to stir them to faithfulness in these lines. I find a laxity on the part of some in revising church records and reorganizing classes, some pastors suffer much in revision by the laxity of their predecessors.

I would recommend for sale the following abandoned church houses. Huss Chaple in Champaign County Ballou, No. 9, and Fairview church houses on Vienna Circuit in Johnson County, Woodbury, Jewett, Union Chaple, and Allen's Chaple in Cumberland County, also Otterbein and Hamletsburg. These are all abandoned and without boards of trustees.

In closing, I would say, the Master's cause has been very near my heart and I have tried to do the best I could for Him, I have tried to get in close touch with the pastors with whom I have labored, that I might help bear their burdens and share their joys. May God bless these earnest preachers as they so richly deserve. The ministry and laity have all been most kind and good to me, for which I am deeply thankful. I am profoundly thankful to my Heavenly Father for his love and blessings to me. Again pastors and laity, I thank you for your many acts of kindness and many words of cheers. May God bless and keep you.

Respectfully submitted,

J. B. NORVIEL,
Superintendent.

By motion, the recommendations in regard to the abandoned churches were referred to the Boundary and Finance Committee.

By motion, the splendid report together with the recommendation as to Mrs. P. F. Kettring was accepted and the official and moral character of the superintendent passed.

Rev. J. B. Connett made an extensive appeal to reclaim and hold the churches recommended to be abandoned.

By motion, it was decided to consider the matter of providing for a Conference Evangelist with salary, and it was referred to the Boundary and Finance Committee.

By agreement, the Boundary and Finance Committee was instructed to care for the recommendation regarding Mrs. Kettring and the naming of the East St. Louis church.

The report of the Committee on Third Year's Reading Course was read and approved as follows:

REPORT OF THIRD YEAR READING COURSE.

We, your Committee on Third Year's Reading Course submit the following:

J. E. Sibert constitutes the class. He made the following grades:

Psychology	94
Pastor Preacher	93
Reasonable Biblical Criticism	90
Amos	90
Philippians	90

Brother Sibert lacks at least the study of two books. We therefore recommend that he be retained in the third year.

Respectfully,

E. E. BUNDY,
D. C. ADE,
L. H. COOLEY.
Committee.

By motion the report of the Special Committee was read to the Conference by Dr. Schell. It was as follows:

To the Annual Conference of the State of Illinois:

We, the undersigned, a committee appointed by a council duly authorized and sitting at Decatur, Illinois, on May 13, 1914, to consider the matter of a location for the continuance of our educational work in said State with instructions to take into account the whole situation and report to the Board of Trustees of Westfield College, to the Annual Conferences of Illinois, and to the Board of Education, herein make to the Annual Conferences of the State of Illinois the following report:

We find that there has been a growing dissatisfaction with Westfield as a permanent location for our college for Illinois. Talk of relocation has been going on for several years. An excerpt from the minutes of the Board of Education of April 27, 1912, is as follows:

"A communication from Rev. E. H. Shuey, D.D., of Decatur, Illinois, representing a committee from the Board of Trustees of Westfield College, was presented, asking for permission to relocate the college upon satisfactory conditions:

'Decatur, Illinois, April 26, 1912.

Bishop G. M. Mathews, D.D.,
Dayton, Ohio.

By dear Bishop:

'The Westfield College Board of Trustees in session here a few days ago, elected a committee of three, to ask the Board of Education to endorse the plan, for the relocation of Westfield College, if a suitable and satisfactory location with a satisfactory financial consideration is offered.

'As I shall not reach Dayton until Wednesday or Thursday evening, I shall be very thankful to you if you will be so kind as to present the matter to the Board of Education.

'The Committee is, President, W. E. Schear, Elder, J. B. Connett, and E. H. Shuey. I suppose that the other members will be present at the session of the Board. Danville, Bloomington, Paris, and Olney Commercial Clubs have written us, asking us to consider offers for the relocation of Westfield College.

'As ever your co-worker,
E. H. Shuey.'

"The Board agreed to this request upon the easy condition that there be offered $100,000 in money and an adequate and otherwise suitable site by some desirable city."

Nothing having been accomplished by this and other efforts at re-location, the new president of Westfield College, Doctor H. M. Tipsword, and the General Secretary of Education united heartily one year ago to overcome the dissatisfaction with Westfield as a college seat, rekindle interest in the school, win back the co-operation of the United Brethren of Illinois, and in spite of its handicaps make a success of Westfield College.

In line with this plan, hard work was done by the parties named as well as by others. New students were secured, many of whom could not be held on account of the lack of modern facilities about the school. Strong efforts to secure money in the town of Westfield and over the State were without avail.

President Tipsword on February 23, 1914, wrote to the General Secretary of Education about the work as follows:

"I am convinced that this is a lost cause. It seems to me that the Church is ready to discontinue the school. The persons who have money seem to have a strong impression that it is a losing proposition and are not willing to give.

"I would like for you to come at least long enough to see that my conclusion is well founded. I will do all I can to get money to pay current expenses and keep the work moving the remainder of the year, but I will not stay longer unless some very improbable condition arises.

"I am not willing to ask teachers to sacrifice like it has been necessary this year, when others seem unwilling to sacrifice to the cause. In other words, I came as a servant of God and the Church. If the Church will not support the cause, I conclude they do not want me as their servant in this relation and I am willing to retire from it."

Soon after this the general Secretary of Education met with the Executive Committee of the college in regular session at Westfield. Conditions were fully and frankly discussed and the decision reached that a number of the leading brethren of the State should be called together and hold a council. But such action was deferred till another meeting of the Executive Committee could be held, to which prominent men of Westfield were invited. It was then decided to call a council over the matters at issue, and a committee was appointed to fix the time and place and personel of said council. The committee consisted of Bishop H. H. Fout, President H. M. Tipsword, Superintendent J. E. Norviel, Superintendent V. W. Overton, and Wm. E. Schell.

This committee met at Bloomington on April 23, all being present except Bishop H. H. Fout. Seventy-two persons were invited to come to the First United Brethren Church at Decatur, on May 13. Thirty-nine of the brethren attended the council. It was in session all day and three questions were discussed as follows:

1. Shall we have a college in the State of Illinois? This question was decided affirmatively, with only one opposing voice.
2. What sort of a college shall it be, a junior college or a standard college? A standard college was unanimously agreed upon.
3. Where shall it be located? Half of the day was given to this question and it was referred to the committee now reporting, with instructions to take into account the whole situation and report to the Trustees, to the Annual Conferences of the State of Illinois, and to the Board of Education, as indicated in the earlier part of this paper.

To the Board of Trustees of Westfield College we made the following report:

"We have not had time to go over the entire matter and decide where we think our college for Illinois should be located. To reach such a conclusion will require at least a number of months, for the location will be contingent upon securing a suitable campus and buildings and a large sum of money for endowment, all of which will take time and labor.

"The council which appointed us to act as a committee in this important matter decided unanimously to have a college in Illi-

nois, and the concensus of opinion strongly favored a new location because of the impossibility of gaining co-operation and support for the institution in its present situation.

"We, as a committee, believe that a new location is necessary, and would advise the Board of Trustees to act in harmony with this thought, taking enough out of any funds at hand to pay up all indebtedness and hold all remaining funds and properties for the further interests of our educational work in Illinois subject to the instruction of the annual conferences in the State.

"Westfield has wrought nobly in the past. Those who have had a part in the work will surely have a great reward. But conditions have changed and we as brethren are powerless to make them different from what they are. The future of the cause is in our hands and we must rise to meet emergencies or miss our highest possibilities.

"In the fear of God and with much love for the brethren, we respectfully submit the foregoing report."

This report was agreed to by Wm. E. Schell, V. W. Overton, J. B. Norviel, H. G. Taylor, and M. B. Spayd. There were two other members of the committee, J. L. Arbogast and Doctor D. R. Seneff. The former agreed to the report so far as it concerned closing at Westfield, but thought an institution in a new location could not be realized without cumbersome debts. The latter resigned from the committee.

The committee is still of the same mind. Steps should be taken to close up honorably at Westfield. For several years the college has served the purely local constituency of Westfield and community. This will be even more the case the ensuing year under the regime instituted at the recent meeting of the Board of Trustees, which includes the continuation of the school at Westfield regardless of the wishes of the brethren of the State, the borrowing of money on second mortgage security on the property to pay all indebtedness, the employment of three members of the faculty by the public schools of the village, and the renting of rooms in the college building for the use of the village high school, the increase of the Executive Committee from a membership of five to that of ten and all Westfield people. Brother Eiler, the President of the Board of Trustees, resigned. They count on employing two teachers and think they can run a junior college on thirty students.

We should have a location satisfactory to our people for our people for our college in Illinois, and should secure at least $200,000 for endowment and buildings before employing a faculty and opening the institution for educational work.

The names of the members of the council under which we as a committee are acting, together with the complete minutes of the meeting, can be given you if desired.

We have acted sincerely and prayerfully in this matter and we wish only that which is best for our Church in Illinois and for the entire denomination.

Submitted in Christian love,

WM. E. SCHELL,
V. W. OVERTON,
J. B. NORVIEL,
N. B. SPAYD,
H. G. TAYLOR,
J. L. ARBOGAST.
Committee.

A great deal of discussion followed the reading of this report and by motion the report was laid on the table till the afternoon session.

Adjournment. Benediction by Rev. T. D. Spyker.

FIRST DAY—WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

Devotions were led by Rev. H. D. Hudson.

The forty minutes designated for the Seminary Extension was followed as per program.

By motion Rev. B. Blackburn was referred to the Committee on Conference Relations.

Pastors' reports were examined.

At 2:20 Conference adjourned for the funeral service.

At 3:30 the Bishop again called the Conference to order.

By motion the report of the morning relating to the educational work was taken from the table and after some discussion the vote was taken which resulted in twelve votes for and seven against the proposition.

Pastors' reports were reviewed.

By motion Everett E. Johnson was admitted to the itineracy.

By motion Fred A. Roberts and C. A. Hall were referred to the Committee on Conference Relations.

By motion the present Board of Trustees of the East St. Louis Church are to be re-elected.

Adjournment. Benediction by Rev. J. C. Fowler.

SECOND DAY—THURSDAY MORNING.

Devotion was led by Rev. J. E. Spencer.

An address was given by Bishop Fout on the subject of "Personal Evangelism" in which he emphasized the great need of the individual appeal.

The minutes of the preceeding day were read and approved.

By motion Rev. C. O. Myers was made reporter for the Conference.

The report of the Committee on the Fourth Year's Reading Course was read and approved as follows:

REPORT OF FOURTH YEAR'S READING COURSE.

We, your Committee on Fourth Year's Course of Reading would submit the following report:

The class is composed of the following persons: W. L. Blackwell, H. S. Reese, Miss Elizabeth Thomson, and Mrs. W. O. Albert.

W. L. Blackwell appeared before the committee and was not prepared and asked to be continued on account of affliction in his family. We recommend that he be continued for another year.

H. S. Reese appeared before the committee and was not prepared on account of personal affliction. We recommend that he be continued and that he be required to complete the course next year.

Miss Elizabeth Thomson having completed the entire Seminary course, we recommend that she be referred to the Committee on Elder's Orders.

Mrs. W. O. Albert having completed one year in the Conference and having received the equivalent of the other three years in the Seminary, we recommend that she be referred to the Committee on Elder's Orders.

G. W. Bonebrake,
J. C. Fowler,
J. T. McCreery.
Committee.

A letter from Brother S. Mills was read by the Secretary, and by motion Rev. J. B. Connett was instructed to prepare and send a special message to Father Mills.

Report of Trustees, Church and Parsonage Building Association was read and approved as follows:

REPORT OF TREASURER OF CHURCH AND PARSONAGE BUILDING ASSOCIATION.

Funds received since August 28, 1913	$ 1.014.28
Funds paid out	850.10
Balance in treasury	164.18

Assets secured by note and mortgage:

Mt. Vernon	500.00
Lawrenceville	500.00
East St. Louis church	2,030.00
East St. Louis parsonage	200.00
Charleston church	500.00
Rev. T. H. King	69.00
Due from Northern Illinois Conference	14.47
Total assets	3,813.47
Balance in treasury	164.18
Grand total in assets	$3,977.65

Respectfully submitted,
J. C. FOWLER,
Treasurer.

Pastors' reports were received.

Dr. W. O. Fries gave an address to the Conference regarding the Otterbein Home.

Adjournment. Benediction by Rev. W. J. Caldwell, of the Presbyterian Church, of Rossville.

SECOND DAY—THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

Devotion was led by Rev. W. L. Blackwell.

The forty minutes designated for Seminary Extension was followed as per program.

By motion the Conference Treasurer was made a member *ex officio* of the Conference Superintendent's Cabinet.

A partial report of the Boundary and Finance Committee was given and approved but it is all given together farther on.

Report of the Committee on Conference Relations was given and approved as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE RELATIONS.

1. We recommend that the names of M. L. Watson, Fred A. Roberts, C. A. Hall, and G. W. Reid, be erased from the Conference roll because of having irregularly withdrawn from the Church.

2. B. Blackburn be transferred to the Michigan Conference to be placed in the second year's class in the reading course. That E. E. Bundy be transferred to Iowa State Conference.

3. That R. B. Hall be received from Indiana Conference subject to his transfer. That B. F. Dotson be received from Vir-

ginia Conference subject to his transfer, and be placed in the third year's reading course.

4. That J. C. Robinette be received subject to his transfer from the Indiana Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and that he be required to take the third and fourth year's reading course.

That W. W. Whitley, an ordained elder in the Missionary Baptist Church, and H. E. Butler, an ordained elder in the Christian Church, came before the Committee asking admission to the Conference; we recommend that they be referred to the Committee on Elders' Orders.

D. R. SENEFF, Chairman.
J. B. CONNETT, Secretary.

Report of Committee on Candidates for the Ministry was given and approved as follows:

REPORT OF CANDIDATES FOR THE MINISTRY.

The following persons appeared before the Committee on Candidates for the Ministry: Elias A. Kauble, Weaver K. Pierson, and C. E. Hogue.

We find the two former fair in scriptural doctrine, up to the standard in education and in harmony with our Discipline and government.

C. E. Hogue is up to the standard on all save the education, but in view of his efficient work, we recommend that along with Elias A. Kauble and Weaver K. Pierson, he be received in the Conference as per Discipline.

T. D. SPYKER,
W. R. MUNCIE,
F. H. KING.
Committee.

The election by ballot for the Conference Superintendent was held which resulted in forty-eight out of seventy-six votes for Rev. J. B. Norviel.

By motion a unanimous vote was given Brother Norviel.

At the request of the Bishop, Dr. W. E. Schell offered a special prayer for the nations engaged in war.

The report of the Committee on the First Year's Reading Course was given and approved as follows:

REPORT ON FIRST YEAR'S READING COURSE.

We, your Committee on the First Year's Reading Course submit the following report:

The class consists of G. W. Padrick, Sarah D. Bowman, B. C. Peters, C. N. Gladwell, W. L. Fear, Mrs. W. L. Fear, L. M. Cooper, C. W. Perkins, Everett E. Johnson, Paul E. Blakney, W. R. Seitzinger, and Fred A. Roberts.

G. W. Padrick—Making of a Sermon, 75%; The Foreign Missionary, 82%; Extemporaneous Oratory, 85%; United Brethren Church History, 85%.

Sarah D. Bowman—Sermon, 85%; The Foreign Missionary, 95%; Extemporaneous Oratory, 89%.

These two having completed their year's work, we recommend that they be passed to the second year.

B. C. Peters—Teachings of Christ, 95%; Principles of Education, 99%. He contemplates entering Otterbein University next month. We recommend that he be retained in the course.

C. N. Gladwell, W. L. Fear, Mrs. W. L. Fear, and L. M. Cooper, not having appeared, we recommend that they be demanded to complete the first year this coming Conference year.

C. W. Perkins being referred to the Superintendent, we desire him to report to Conference and they to take such action as is necessary.

Everett E. Johnson appeared before the committee being unprepared on account of affliction in his family and asked to be continued. We recommend that he be continued another year.

Paul E. Blakney, having completed the Seminary course, we recommend that he be referred to the Committee on Elder's Orders.

W. R. Seitzinger—Teachings of Christ, 87%. We recommend that he be asked to complete the first year's course in full the coming year.

Fred A. Roberts being referred to the Committee on Conference Relations, we recommend that they take such action as is necessary.

Respectfully submitted,
F. H. KING,
O. J. BOGARD,
W. O. ALBERT,
Committee.

Report on Second Year's Reading Course was given and approved as follows:

REPORT ON SECOND YEAR'S READING COURSE.

The class consists of I. J. Knapp, R. L. Webber, B. Blackburn, J. T. Story, and J. E. Spencer.

I. J. Knapp reported that on account of sickness was not able to read. We recommend that he be retained in the course for another year.

R. L. Webber—The Preacher, 80%; Exegetical Studies, 75%. Having passed creditably upon these two books, we recommend that he be retained in the course for another year.

B. Blackburn being referred to the Committee on Conference Relations, we recommend that they take such action as is necessary.

J. T. Story did not report. We recommend that he be retained in the course for another year.

J. E. Spencer—Christian View, 79%; Church History, 86%; Child Study, 95%; The Preacher, 85%; Exegetical Studies, 80%; Galatians, 80%. Having passed on all the books of the course, as per Discipline, we recommend that he be passed to the third year's course.

Miss Sarah D. Bowman, of the first year's class passed on all the books in the second year's course as follows: Christian View, 95%; Church History, 91%; Child Study, 96%; The Preacher, 96%; Exegetical Studies, 90%; Galatians, 97%. We recommend that she be passed to the third year's course.

Pastors' reports were reviewed.

By motion R. L. Webber was admitted to the itineracy.

By motion Rev. I. B. Fisher was granted a transfer from this Conference to the Georgia-Florida Conference.

The report of Evangelist J. F. Fowler was read and approved as follows:

To the Members of Lower Wabash Conference of the United Brethren in Christ, Now in Session, Greetings:

I have held six meetings; held one for the Presbyterian people at New Providence Church, eight miles west of Terre Haute; five other meetings were held for the brethren of our own church, Brothers G. L. Good, Everett E. Johnson, R. L. Webber, and T. H. Decker, and assisted two weeks on Hebron Circuit, J. C. Fowler, pastor. Satisfaction was given on all these points. I have had calls outside of our Conference; namely, Pennsylvania, Wisconsin, and Missouri Conferences.

The sickness and death of our brother-in-law retarded the labor part of the year. I had made arrangements to hold three other revivals, but could not fill the engagements. I have had a good year; the Lord has blessed the labor that has been given.

Sermons preached	143
Persons converted	168
United with our Church	162
Salary received	$274.60

If our Lord should ask the question, "Have you done your best?" I would have to say "No."

If it pleases the Conference, I would like Evangelistic Relation at Large.

Thanking the Conference for their kindness and our beloved Bishop for his kind words of cheer, I still remain a servant in the kingdom of our God.

J. F. FOWLER,
Evangelist.

By motion J. F. Fowler was granted the relation of Evangelist at Large.

By motion R. Griffin was granted an open transfer.

By motion M. L. Watson was referred to the list of those irregularly withdrawn.

Report of the Treasurer of the Board of Directors of General Church Erection was read and approved as follows:

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF GENERAL CHURCH ERECTION.

East St. Louis, Illinois, August 6, 1914.

I submit the following report:

RECEIPTS.

September 11, 1913—Rev. A. C. Siddall, General Secretary of Church Erection, our portion of Easter offering	$ 84.45
December 15, 1913—Rev. W. L. Duncan, the product of the Metropolis parsonage property	225.00
Total received	$ 309.45

DISBURSEMENTS.

December 15, 1913—To Rev. J. C. Fowler, Treasurer of Church and Parsonage Building Association a loan to the Committee	$ 309.45
Balance in the Treasury	.00

I have not yet received from the General Secretary our portion of the Easter offering for 1914, therefore the treasury is empty.

Respectfully submitted,

E. M. PIERSON, Treas.
B. B. PHELPS.
W. L. DUNCAN,
J. B. NORVIEL,
C. A. DWYER.
Committee.

Report of The Christian Home was read and approved as follows:

THE CHRISTIAN HOME.

What is the Christian home? How shall we define it? We need not go far for a definition. No circumstance of time, place, station, or possession determines it. It is the home in which Jesus Christ is regnant. The home in which manhood and womanhood are yielded, daily and hourly, to the gentle, peaceable reign of the divine quest. The home into which, if infancy comes, it is welcomed and cherished as heaven's most precious gift, innocent as an angel, fit to be consecrated formally and in spirit, to the Almighty, and to be nurtured through childhood, up to manhood or womanhood, as that which will be—not *may* be; but *will* be—made or marred, for time and eternity, by the molding power of parental teaching. While it is true that goodness is not transmitted by inheritance, does not descend in the family line, yet God has put it in the power of Christian parentage to make secure the welfare of the child by the power of teaching, by precept and example. There never was a time when man did not need the constant application of moral and religious principles to his life to guide him into, and keep him in the way in which he should go. There never will be such a time until God shall have subdued all things unto himself. It is the common, providential allotment of man to be born into a home. Here helpless infancy is nurtured into strength and self-reliance by daily ministration. Here, throughout that formative period that is all-determining, character is formed, for time and eternity. If the home be not Christian, then what? If the child can be so trained in the way he should go that he will not depart from it when he is old, can anything atone for the neglect of such training? What, alas! is the far-reaching, ruinous effect of training childhood in the ways of evil?

In the absence of the Christian home, what can the church do? Paul, in addressing Philemon, speaks of "the church in thy house." What relation, we may well ask, does the church in the house—the home—bear to the church in the temple—the place of public worship? Must the church be in the home before it can be much in the temple? Can we sow tares in the home, or allow the home ground to lie fallow; and reap grain in the church? We lament with justifiable and growing concern, the proneness of childhood to absent itself from public worship and in searching for causes, we reach various conclusions and in applying remedies we resort to numerous devices, few, if any, of which prove effective. Is King Solomon's aphorism, "Train up a child in the way he should go, and even when he is old he will not depart from it," true? It holds good in the case of all animal life below man. The apostle, James, says, "Every kind of beasts is tamed and hath been tamed by mankind." Animals are not only trained, but trained in the way in which you want them to go. Dr. Joseph Parker says,

"There is more man in the horse than there is horse." Has God, who places helpless, dependent infancy into the hands of the parent as the clay is put into the hands of the potter, left to uncertain issue the one thing which, of all things attainable, is to be sought first? In obedience to the behests of God, and relying on his promises, may not a Christian parent, with infinite faith in assured results, set himself to obey the injunction of the Apostle Paul, "Bring them up," the children, "in the nurture and admonition of the Lord?" What, more than all other things combined, is the remedy for the healing of the church's maladies, that perplex, cripple and weaken it in the life of its childhood? There may be found, even to-day, men and women (maybe not in great numbers, but such may be found), who in all their lives have never deemed it a hardship to accompany their parents to church and sit with them throughout its services, not shortened for convenience, not spiced with carnal condiments for their amusement. True, the world may call them "abnormal," "old-fashioned," "stupid," but they themselves treasure the memory of it as a sacred possession as being the means by which the fires on home altars, long since died out, are rekindled and kept burning on the altars of their own homes. Given a Christian home, a home in which Christ delights to be, and what have we? We have the "salt of the earth, the light of the world," that which is vital in the kingdoms of men, as in the kingdom of heaven; that which, above all things else, can give perpetuity to the church by infusing spiritual life and make her temples so rapidly multiplying, so grand in proportions, so ornate in their garnishments, truly glorious.

When the longed for, prayed for, expected, great revival in the Church shall come, what may we expect as its most manifest, vital, abiding fruitage? The transformation of homes, nominally Christian, into that which now they so imperfectly exemplify; and the setting up in alien households that which, of all things on earth, is the only true type of the home that God has prepared beyond the skies for all.

D. R. SENEFF.

By motion the article on The Christian Home is to be published in The Otterbein Teacher.

The report of Evangelist H. W. Broadstone was read and approved as follows:

To the Lower Wabash Annual Conference in Session at Rossville, Illinois, Greetings:

Soon after the last session of Conference, Fisher charge was vacated and by request, beginning the last of September, 1913, I served as pastor pro tem for two months, or until the Superin-

tendent secured Brother H. D. Hudson. In the meantime the Casey Circuit charge was abandoned by the man assigned to it, and for about three months I was acting pastor there.

I held three protracted meetings, one on Fisher charge at Oak Grove and two on Casey Circuit at Pleasant Valley and Olive Chapel. The conditions under which I worked were not conducive to revival success.

I have preached one hundred and four times and received as compensation $190.

Respectfully submitted,
H. W. BROADSTONE.

By motion the Evangelistic Committee is to consist of the Superintendent and his Cabinet.

By motion the Nominating Committee was instructed to place in nomination six ministers and four laymen to constitute a joint Commission on Education to co-operate with Northern Illinois Conference.

By motion the place of holding the next Conference was to be decided by the Superintendent and his Cabinet.

By motion those who are to be voted upon are to be printed on a ballot.

Adjournment. Benediction by Rev. C. A. Dwyer.

THIRD DAY—FRIDAY MORNING.

Devotion was led by Rev. N. E. Royer.

An address was given by Professor M. A. Honline on Practical Sunday-school work in which he emphasized three questions that should be asked of every Sunday-school teacher regarding himself and his work; namely, First. What do I want this pupil to become? Second. Is this pupil capable of becoming what I want him to be? Third. How am I to transform this individual from what he now is into what I want him to become?

The minutes of the preceding day's proceedings were read and approved.

By motion Rev. L. H. Cooley was given time to present the matter of his proposed trip to the World's Sunday-school Convention in 1916, and he urged each pastor to assist him by securing subscriptions to the Sunday School Times.

The report of Church Erection was read and approved as follows:

Pending approval addresses were given by Dr. W. O. Fries, Dr. C. Whitney, and Dr. A. C. Siddall.

CHURCH ERECTION REPORT.

Dr. A. C. Siddall, our splendid Church Erection Secretary, has well said "That no one thing indicates more clearly the growing condition in the Church than the number and character of its church edifices and parsonages."

A machine may be ever so well built, every joint very neatly fitted, every wheel very accurately timed, yet it cannot run long without one other application, which is oil. The oil effects every part of the machine, and without it no machine can do its best work. So what the oil is to the machine, Church Erection is to the whole Church, for it is the lubricating oil to every other department. The day of successfully carrying on the Lord's work in a cross-road school house is almost, if not entirely passed away, and to-day on our foreign fields, and in our frontier fields, the first necessity that presents itself to the missionary for successful and permanent work is a church house in which he may bring the people together for worship, and to teach, and preach to them the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

We are informed that our denomination had last year 3,335 churches, and about one-fifth of this number were made possible by the aid of the Church Erection Society; or in other words we have about 667 churches now that we could not have had were it not for this society. Indeed we have several good church houses in our own Conference that we could not have had without its aid. During the existence of this society it has loaned to churches and parsonages about $700,000, and this money has brought to the denomination in return $4,000,000 worth of property, I doubt if any other department has paid as great a dividend. We believe in Church Erection, and why shouldn't we believe in that servant that has but one talent and returns six.

The vital place that this society holds in the Church is indicated to us by the fact that applications for loans to the amount of $60,000 have had to be turned down because of the lack of funds. This brings to our mind that there is now over due and unpaid loans amounting to almost $112,000. This shows that some deserving places must do without aid because others do not pay back their loans. We believe that a debt paying campaign is very much in order at this time in all of our conferences, Lower Wabash not excepted. We believe that our people need to be better informed as to what the Church Erection is doing now for the Church, and also as to what it might do with a better support.

We would therefore urge upon all of our pastors the circulation of Church Erection literature. We would also urge upon all con-

gregations the observance of Church Erection day and the use of programs, prepared and furnished free, by the society for such purpose.

We heartily endorse the Church Erection annual, published this year for the first time, for it brings to us information fresh from the board meetings that we all very much need.

We, the pastors and laymen of Lower Wabash Conference, do very much appreciate the work of our General Secretary, and promise him our hearty co-operation and support.

C. A. DWYER,
Committee.

Addresses were given by Rev. J. B. Connett and Rev. J. B. Norviel along the line of Church Erection and Extension in our Conference.

The Bishop appointed a Committee on Policy consisting of Rev. J. B. Norviel, Conference Superintendent, Rev. J. B. Connett, and Rev. C. W. Bonebrake. He also appointed Dr. D. R. Seneff to write the Foreign Mission Report and Rev. W. L. Perkins to write the Home Mission Report.

The report on Education was read and approved as follows: Pending approval addresses were given by Dr. W. E. Schell, Dr. G. A. Funkhouser, and Dr. W. O. Fries.

EDUCATION.

This is an old, yet, ever new subject, but its primal importance cannot be over estimated, or its value to man exaggerated. This is because of the great need of it, in every life, as related to every other life; and to every phase of life in human society.

This need is now felt more deeply by more people than ever in the past. No matter what the profession or vocation in life may be: the first question is, "Has he an education?" I mean by this, "Is he on his job?" To be thoroughly prepared in mind and heart; and with hand for the job, and then succeeding at it, is a practical education: whether one gets it in school, or out of school. The school route is the quickest, safest, and most successful, if educational statistics, and close observation prove anything. Many come to this desired haven in the schools and just a few come to it, out of the schools; and, the few, could they have gone through the schools, would have been stronger, happier, and more successful. It is what we lack, or do not have by natural endowment, that makes an education so imperative. The faculties of the mind need drawing out and developing to the highest possible degree. Thus one is drilled to think for himself, clearly, or

logically, on any subject of value and interest to society. The person taken just as he is and made over into what he ought to be, or the whole temple of Christian character according to the Divine Architect, happily brought into the process of a perfect development, for man is to grow forever which is no doubt the secret of eternal happiness; for happy employment, and glorious service yonder, is the fondest hope of the Christian. But more comprehensively, "Nature's reasons, plus conditions, hours of time spent, equals character," To illustrate, my book as to its material was wood, growing in the tree, the axman felled it—the freight engine took it to the mill—the mill ground it to pulp—on one side of the mill it ran down a trough like slop, and through many processes, and then, came out on the other side of the mill fine white paper, then it was taken to the printer and the binder, and completed; and then the publishing house sold it to me, so now it is my book and usable. So you see natural reasons, plus conditions, or environments, time spent, equals character, or the production of the book. The biggest problem of life is here couched in this modern proverb, above stated—Nature—Conditions—Time—Character. The Christian father, the Christian mother, the Christian child, living in the Christian home, worshiping in the Christian church, spending sufficient time in the Christian school and the result—Christian character. This is God's program for man's life; and his only way to come to his highest estate, here, as a preparation for that perfect life in the land immortal.

In this program is found the Christian school—academy—college—university. The importance of the Christian college is seen in the outstanding fact, that the majority of the leaders of church and state are men and women who have been trained in our Christian colleges. As to the church, the large majority of our Bishops, superintendents, city pastors evangelists, missionaries, editors, authors, lecturers, reformers, and educators are graduates of Christian colleges.

These colleges, have been and are, God's dynamos of moral, intellectual and social power, radiating with saving light and life for the sons of toil, wherever the evangel of gospel hope has been carried by God's missionaries. If all this be true, my brethren, no church or denomination can hope to successfully pursue its God given task without the Christian college. United Brethrenism has largely succeeded because she has fostered the Christian college—believed it to be essential—supported it with her means, prayers and sympathy. We should revere the sweet memory of our fathers to-day by taking what they have bequeathed to us and making it what it ought to be in this most splendid century since. "The morning stars sang together and the sons of God shouted for joy." To not have a Christian college somewhere in the great

State of Illinois, is enough to make every United Brethren bow his head in shamefacedness and bite the very dust in humility. It should chill our hearts and almost freeze our blood to think of not having a college in this dear old State. Without the Christian college, and our own, in a few years, we will have, but few, if any trained leaders in our conferences. Some of those we have, will come from other churches, where they have failed, or it may be just for the fat places, "The loaves and fishes," and these, or the most of them will only stay for a short time, which means an unsettled and drifting ministry. The college is certainly an essential department of our church life and activity, if we expect to keep abreast with the other denominations and do our part of the Lord's work. Therefore be it

Resolved, 1. That we commend Westfield College for the good year's work done by the splendid faculty and students—there were one hundred and forty students and a class of eighteen graduated from all departments. Bishop H. H. Fout was the class orator commencement day.

2. That, we use our undivided efforts to have and maintain a college in the State of Illinois.

3. That we also, commend the Bonebrake Seminary for its splendid work another year, accept the assessment for its support, encourage our young ministers who are college graduates to take the courses offered there, and encourage all others to take the courses offered in the colleges of the church or denomination.

4. Lastly, that we heartily commend the Seminary Extension movement in the Conference. It has proven an inspiration to our pastors and laymen, also has provided Bible knowledge or instruction that will prove a blessing to all our people.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM L. DUNCAN.

The report on Sunday-school work was read as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Your committee presents the following report:

The growth of the Sunday school has been phenomenal. The growth may be accounted for in various ways, among which, have been the advance on an even basis with the day school. The graded lessons are making it easier to succeed in enlisting a greater army every year. Just how far we may yet go in graded lessons is yet unknown, but we are sure that every step that has been taken, has been taken after mature deliberation and we cannot but approve the wise course of the International Sunday-school Association. We wish to express our heartiest good will for Drs. Fries and Brubaker for their untiring efforts as Sunday-school Editor and

Secretary in keeping our church literature abreast of any denomination. While our literature is of the best, and neater and cheaper than that of most of the houses, it is sad to know that some are yet using from other places.

The field: Out before us lies a vast uncultivated field, sterile and barren, which waits for the reaper to thrust in the sickle. Only 19,000,000 are now in the Sunday schools of America out of 100,000,000. We shall have to have some new methods and some vision before we can enlist all, we need trained superintendents and trained teachers at least, to cope with the situation. Our needs: 1. Teachers' Training classes.. 2. All teachers with one year's training at least. 3. Graded lessons in every school. 4. Better trained officers and better records. 5. Knowledge of our pupils, their home and environment. 6. The new card system as outlined by our house. 7. Records of saved and unsaved by teachers and superintendents. 8. A wide awake cradle roll superintendent. 9. A strong Home Department. 10. Overflowing zeal for the Master by all teachers and officers.

Resolved. 1. We, the ministers in Conference assembled, pledge ourselves to attend every township and county convention concerned with our works.

2. That we organize and graduate a Teacher Training class in every church this year.

3. That we will at least introduce graded lessons in beginners and primary classes this Conference year.

4. That we will organize a cradle roll and a home department in every church in Conference this year.

We heartily commend Professor M. A. Honline, the director of religious education, for his masterful presentations in the Conference, his work in the field and with other denominations and recommend that we suggest to our counties that no better man can be secured for County Institute work than Professor Honline and C. W. Brewbaker.

F. H. KING,
Committee.

Dr. Siddall addressed the Conference on the subject of a Sunday-school Campaign.

By motion action on the Sunday-school report was deferred till the afternoon session.

By motion the Bishop appointed two laymen on the Policy Committee. They were: W. J. David, Casey, and H. F. Brubaker, Paris.

By motion Rev. J. B. Connett was appointed on the Stationing Committee as per provision in the Discipline.

Adjournment. Benediction by Dr. D. R. Seneff.

THIRD DAY—FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

Devotion was led by Rev. Miss Elizabeth Thomson.

Addresses were given by Professor Honline and Dr. Fries after which the report on Sunday-school work was adopted.

The report on Christian Endeavor was read and approved. Pending approval Rev. J. B. Connett spoke of the Efficiency Chart as adopted at the C. E. Convention held at Danville and he distributed charts to pastors present. He also urged all pastors whose society was not represented at the convention to arrange with their societies to pledge to the East St. Louis enterprise.

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

Efficient leadership is one of the greatest needs of the local church to-day. A church may be spiritual, and have ample financial ability, and have a splendid location, yet, unless there are those in that congregation who are able to properly direct that spirituality, and that wealth, and take advantage of that location, the church will not be able to express itself in such terms of success as it ought. This fact has already, too often, been illustrated by actual experience in the past.

The purpose of the Christian Endeavor organization is to meet this great need by training the young people for leadership in the church.

Dr. Deever, General Secretary of the Christian Endeavor work in the United Brethren Church, at the branch convention, held at Danville, in July, said, "The purpose of the Christian Endeavor work is to train the young people in expression, so that they will be able to take the impressions made upon them, in the Sunday school and in the preaching services, and so intelligently express them as to impress others."

When the leadership of the church is able to intelligently impress the membership with these great truths of the Bible, they will be able to lead the church into expressing itself, in actual acts of life, the ideals and teachings of the Sunday-school lessons and sermons, many of which are forgotten for the want of leadership.

When the Lower Wabash branch of the Christian Endeavor movement succeeds in fitting all our churches with trained leadership, and this is already accomplished in many of our churches, the problem of directing spirituality and finance, will be solved, and a working force will be established that will take the best advantage of location.

Seeing then that there exists in our Church this great need and knowing that it can be met only by a leadership intelligently trained, therefore, be it

Resolved, 1. That, we as pastors endeavor to organize Christian Endeavor Societies in all our churches.

2. Since a deep spiritual life is essential to successful leadership, all Christian Endeavorers be urged to observe the Quiet Hour.

3. Since the predominating spirit of a Christian should be a Missionary Spirit, there be organized both foreign and home mission study classes in all Christian Endeavor Societies.

4. The Standard of Efficiency as adopted by the Christian Endeavor Convention at Danville be reached this year.

B. C. PETERS,
Committee.

The report on Foreign Missions was read and approved as follows:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The church has no graves so sacred as are those in far-off Africa that hold the slumbering dust of our martyred missionaries.

The church has in living workers that are held in so high esteem as are those who, having heard their Lord's command, have cast their lot among effete civilization or entrenched heathenism in far-off lands.

The church has no greater cause for righteous, self gratulation, or devout gratitude to the Almighty, than for her devotion to, and achievements in missionary work. The church has come to understand, as never before, that she enjoys the favor of God, in her spiritual life and growth, only in proportion as she obeys the Savior's command to teach the nations. The Church of the United Brethren in Christ, as, perhaps, all churches of missionary spirit, has never before been so well-manned and thoroughly equipped for the prosecution of its missionary work as now.

We recognize in Dr. Hough, our Foreign Missionary Secretary, and Bishop Howard, our Foreign Missionary Bishop, men whom God has called and endowed in extraordinary measure for the leadership of the goodly company of men and women, sharers of their own spirit, now engaged in the splendid work of our foreign fields.

Locally, we have special cause for joy, gratitude to God, and renewal of endeavor in our foreign missionary work in the fact that lately, one of our own, precious daughters, Miss Mae Cooley, fully equipped, and thoroughly consecrated, took her place among our workers in the Philippine Islands.

With renewed resolve we go forth in our work, convinced that no interest we are permitted to promote by our efforts is so dear to our ascended Savior as is the cause of missions.

D. R. SENEFF.

The report on Home Missions was read and approved as follows: Pending approval D. Whitney addressed the Conference.

REPORT OF HOME MISSIONS.

Home missions is a great subject. It would be impossible to over-estimate the significance of the theme. The work of home missions as now prosecuted under direction of a separate board dates back but nine years. The history of these nine years is a cause for just pride—yet the emphasis should be placed not so much upon the marvelous successes achieved as on the tremendous challenge presented. What other cause should claim the mind and heart of the American church more than the saving of America for Christ!

A brief survey of the field may be stimulating. The Home Board is helping to support work in most of the States and now has an aggregate of about 200 fields opened since 1905. On these fields there have been more than 25,000 accessions. Three years ago these missions reported $95,830 contributed to all purposes. This year Secretary Whitney's report will show that there has been collected $734,610.

This three-fourth of a million dollars coming from fields struggling for their own existence is unanswerable argument in favor of home missions.

The educational campaign carried on in this department is second to no Protestant denomination in America.

Hundreds of thousands of tracts are being circulated—bearing to the whole denomination the information so much needed. The very best books have been recommended by the society and classes organized for their study.

Just now "The New Home Missions," so full of social service, and with its plea for the redemption of society is finding its way into thousands of hands. The little booklet "Victories Under the Flag" has been a firebrand kindling the passion for religious patriotism throughout the denomination. Nor has the society stopped with its efforts to inform adults. Just now an attractive little book entitled, "Goodbird, the Indian," bears its silent message to the promising child life of our great Church.

We regret to say that the financial support of the Board is not what we desire. We blush to say that last year's report must show a decline in funds. This may be laid to anything from the failure of crops to the transition in our financial system, but the

fact remains that the Home Board must have better support if she is to maintain the positions she now occupies—to say nothing of the hundreds of openings now challenging advance.

We now have 134 home missionaries at work. We ought to have 500 by the close of the present quadrenium.

Three-fourths of the area of America is frontier territory. The United Brethren Church is as welcome, and as much needed in this mighty West as any denomination.

With this glance at the possibilities open to the cross in America, what word can be said for our future progress?

First—In view of the tremenduous needs, let us pray the Lord of the harvest that he will thrust in laborers into his harvest. No better way to answer this prayer than to create the atmosphere in which workers can be produced.

Second—We will strive to secure a full budget on every charge in the Conference. Emphasizing the Thanksgiving period and the week, November 22-29 as Home Mission week, taking an offering to be applied on the budget or to go in equal parts to Home Missions and Church Erection Special, as local conditions may determine.

Third—We appreciate the joint program and free envelopes proposed and pledge to the Home Mission and Church Erection Boards our heartiest support.

Fourth—we extend heart and hand to Secretary Whitney, and pledge to him our deepest appreciation of his untiring efforts in leading his department to the front rank among denominational successes; and promise to co-operate with him in securing workers and funds for home missions. W. L. PERKINS.

The Conference Quartet sang beautifully at this time.

A partial report of the Committee on Elder's Orders was read and approved.

An extensive address was given by Dr. Siddall on the "System of Finance" as outlined by the denomination.

A partial report of the Committee on Policy was read.

The report of the Boundary and Finance Committee as to the apportionments to the various charges was read and approved.

The Bishop then spoke impressively and tenderly to the Conference which was followed, at his request, with a special prayer service, ministers and laymen kneeling about the altar.

The Conference Treasurer's Report was read and approved as follows:

Report to August 17, 1914.

Receipts.

Foreign Missions	$	10.27
General Budget		1,842.36
Special Bonebrake		8.50
Balance and Receipts for Conference Extension		1,809.90
Balance and Receipts for Conference Expense		209.60
Cabinet Expense		48.53
Westfield College		246.52
Cowden Chair		18.71
	$	4,194.39

Disbursements.

Paid to L. O. Miller	$	1,430.90
Paid to Pastors		1,564.00
Paid to Interest		124.19
Paid to W. R. Funk		182.50
Paid to Cabinet Expense		8.26
Paid to Westfield College		114.63
Paid to Foreign Missions, to Miller		10.27
Paid to Cowden Chair		18.71
Balance		740.93
	$	4,194.39

Report to August 21.

To Annual Conference now in Session:

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT.

On Conference Claims	$	1,281.36
On General Budget		1,920.95
Special to Foreign Missions		12.43
Otterbein Home		2.00
Brotherhood		6.00
	$	3,222.74

Disbursements.

Paid to L. O. Miller	$	1,925.15
Paid to Pastors		211.54
Balance on hand		1,069.01
Error		17.04
	$	3,222.74

Total receipts and balance for year	$	7,417.13
Total Disbursement and balance		5,590.15

Balance on hand	1,809.94
Error on book	17.04
	$ 7,417.13

S. O. STOLTZ,
Conference Treasurer.

By motion the Finance Commission was instructed to adjust their report to include the amount from the Home Mission Board.

By motion the Memorial Services were to be held Sunday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock.

The report of the Nominating Committee was given and the vote taken. The tellers appointed by the Bishop were: Hiram Brubaker, R. E. Garrett, and W. J. David.

Pastors' reports were reviewed.

The final report of the Boundary and Finance Committee was read and approved as follows:

REPORT OF BOUNDARY AND FINANCE COMMITTEE.

We, your Committee, recommend the following changes in boundary:

That Bethel appointment be attached to Rossville Circuit.

That Woodlawn appointment be attached to Flora Circuit.

That Plainfield appointment be detached from Yale Circuit and attached to Island Grove Circuit, the name to be changed to Rose Hill Circuit.

That Shiloh be supplied by the Superintendent.

That Galton constitute Galton Station and that Pesotum and Parkville constitute Pesotum charge.

That Charleston Circuit be attached to Vermilion Circuit to constitute Vermilion Circuit.

That Prairie Chapel appointment be under the supervision of the Conference Superintendent.

That Martinsville Circuit be changed to Marshall Circuit.

We recommend that the Conference territory constitute one Superintendent's District.

We recommend that the Superintendent's Cabinet be authorized to secure a Conference Evangelist and that his action be under their direction.

We recommend that the Conference order to be spread upon its records the following paper and that a copy of the same be transmitted to Sister P. F. Kettring by its Recording Secretary:

We, the members of the Lower Wabash Conference of the Church of the United Brethren in Christ, in our annual gathering vividly

recall the sense of sorrow and loss that came to each of us as here and there, engaged in our work, tidings came to us of the death of our dear Brother Kettring. In our collective relation we desire to express:

1. Our profound appreciation of the sterling integrity, Christian character, and pastoral efficiency of our dear, departed brother.

2. Our deep, lasting appreciation of his work in the Conference and our sense of loss in his death.

3. Our high estimate of his consecration to our Lord's cause manifested in his return to our Conference after a separation of years, to take up a work in the prosecution of which he sacrificed his precious life.

4. Our gratitude to God for the wonderful measure of consecration and devotion given Sister Kettring, enabling her. under the burden of her heart-breaking sorrow, to carry on her departed husband's work through the crisis of a broken-off pastorate, and leading her to make a large material offering to the cause that last united her and her noble husband in effort in this world.

5. Our sense of the propriety of perpetuating by suitable memorial, nobility of character and deed in the living and dead alike. We, therefore, most earnestly second the request of our late Christian Endeavor Branch Convention that the East St. Louis U. B. Church be named "The Kettring Memorial United Brethren Church" in memory of Rev. P. F. Kettring and wife.

We recommend that the following amounts constitute the Conference Budget:

Church Extension	$ 3,800.00
Conference Expense Fund	300.00
Traveling Expenses	60.00

We recommend the following appropriations:

Toledo	$ 250.00
Marshall	250.00
Danville	100.00
Charleston	375.00
Lawrenceville	100.00
Flora	250.00
Mt. Vernon	500.00
Woodriver	150.00
East St. Louis (by C. E. Branch)	650.00

General Budget and Conference Superintendent's Salary:

	Budget	Supt. Salary
Avena	$ 180.00	$24.00
Blue Mound	180.00	28.00
Broadlands	245.00	35.00
Birds	220.00	32.00

Beecher City	180.00	24.00
Bluford	250.00	35.00
Charleston	100.00	16.00
Chesterville	175.00	24.00
Casey Station	250.00	35.00
Casey Circuit	255.00	36.00
Clarksburg	200.00	24.00
Danville Station	210.00	32.00
Danville Circuit	265.00	41.00
East St. Louis	75.00	12.00
Flora Station	160.00	20.00
Flora Circuit	250.00	36.00
Findlay	198.00	28.00
Fisher	210.00	30.00
Galton	125.00	24.00
Johnstown	175.00	24.00
Loogootee	225.00	32.00
Locust Grove	225.00	32.00
Lawrenceville	200.00	28.00
Mt. Vernon	120.00	14.00
Marshall	150.00	17.00
Marshall Circuit	265.00	41.00
New Hebron	260.00	41.00
Oakwood	240.00	37.00
Olney Station	250.00	36.00
Olney Circuit	245.00	38.00
Oblong	194.00	26.00
Otterbein	245.00	32.00
Pesotum	125.00	24.00
Potomac	245.00	38.00
Prairie Chapel	10.00	2.00
Penfield	220.00	30.00
Paris	250.00	36.00
Parkersburg	245.00	36.00
Redmon	275.00	41.00
Rossville	230.00	38.00
Robinson	230.00	36.00
Rose Hill	180.00	26.00
Shiloh	10.00	2.00
Sumner	265.00	41.00
St. Francisville Station	220.00	36.00
St. Francisville Circuit	200.00	32.00
Toledo	218.00	30.00
Vergennes	160.00	30.00
Vermilion Circuit	260.00	38.00
White Heath	150.00	20.00

Wood River	150.00	20.00
Westfield Station	280.00	41.00
Westfield Circuit	220.00	30.00
Yale	250.00	36.00

T. D. Spyker,
Sec. Committee.

Adjournment. Benediction by Dr. W. E. Schell.

FOURTH DAY—SATURDAY MORNING.

Devotion was led by Rev. I. S. McIver.

Bishop Fout addressed the Conference on the subject, "Qualifications of the Ministry," in which he emphasized four points: 1. A firm, personal faith in his calling. 2. A firm, personal faith in his message. 3. Preach with Authority. 4. Anointing by the Holy Spirit.

The roll of lay delegates was again called.

The minutes of the preceding day's proceedings were read and approved.

By motion Rev. B. B. Phelps and Rev. W. R. Muncie were excused.

Dr. Whitney addressed the Conference on the subject of the next Board meeting to be held on the western coast.

By motion the Conference Superintendent was instructed to order one pad for each pastor for making reports to the Conference Superintendent, and the Conference Treasurer.

The Bishop appointed the Conference Superintendent, Rev. J. B. Norviel, Rev. W. L. Perkins, and Rev. W. L. Duncan as a committee to arrange with Dr. Funkhouser the Seminary Extension program for next year's Conference.

Dr. W. E. Schell addressed the Conference before leaving.

The report on Publishing Interests was read and approved as follows: Pending approval Dr. Fries addressed the Conference on the subject.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLISHING INTERESTS.

This department of our Church was organized in 1834 under a resolution passed by the General Conference of 1833, and is therefor eighty years old. It was started in faith, without a dollar's worth of assets. Under the blessings of God, through this de-

partment the Church has been furnished literature, such as has met the demands of a growing denomination. The financial side of the enterprise was however at times in a precarious condition on account of doubtful or worthless assets. But, in 1881 began to take on new life resulting in rapid and permanent growth. At that time the net assets were over $162,000. In 1889, seventeen years later the net assets had almost doubled. In 1901, the last debt was canceled and money was loaned on interest. At that time the manager began the development of plans for enlargement which resulted in 1905 in the erection of the great office building, which is estimated in value at a half million dollars. At the same time modern machinery has been installed as needed, enabling the House to keep pace with progress and do a class of work unexcelled any where. With strong men at the head of the departments, the House, the veritable heart of the denomination, has been enabled to send out to the entire body of the Church, like the rich red blood from the human heart, the best and most up-to-date literature, maintaining and promoting spiritual culture and intellectual vigor in the members of our beloved Zion.

Rising out of the flood disaster of a year and a half ago, the manager and trustees, "with a long look ahead," are planning for still greater things. A factory building on Fifth Street is being erected that will cost between $150,000 to $200,000, the same to be completed by November 1. The office building, if plans materialize will then be enlarged and made all fourteen stories high.

There will then be several store rooms on the first floor and nearly one thousand offices above the first floor. The building will be known as "The Otterbein Building," and will be rented; the income being used to aid superannuated ministers of the denomination.

The two great objects of the management:

First. To give the Church the highest and best grade of helpful literature possible, that our people may be made better in character and stronger in service.

Second. To build an institution that shall be, in the years to come, a real endowment for the superannuated ministers, their widows and orphans. It will take time, and money to do this. But when the proposed enlargement is completed and paid for, it will bring an annual income of from $100,000 to $150,000, while the publishing side of the House will bring a net income of from $50,000 to $75,000 per year, insuring an annual income of about $200,000. This can be done if the department has the hearty and continued co-operation of the whole Church.

We congratulate the manager on the continued growth and enlargement of the House and its business.

On the increased circulation of all our periodicals, but particularly on the growth in quality of all our literature; for surely the quality was never higher. In view of the above facts, be it

Resolved, 1. That we as ministers will patronize the House in the purchase of all that it has to sell, and that we will encourage our people to do the same; not only because such patronage will enable the management to the sooner realize the high and worthy ideals in view, but because only as our people read our own literature will they develop in loyalty to our Church and grow in the spirit of self-sacrificing service to Jesus Christ.

Resolved, 2. That we will pay our bills promptly that the House may continue to grow and prosper.

J. B. Connett.

The following resolution was read and approved:

Resolved, That we are greatly pleased with the presence and service among us of the representative of our publishing interests, Dr. W. O. Fries, and that we charge him with the service of bearing a message of greeting from us to Dr. Funk and assuring him of our prayers for him in carrying out the stupendous enterprises of our publishing interests.

D. R. Seneff,
J. B. Connett.

The report of the Auditing Committee was read and approved as follows:

REPORT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE.

We, your Auditing Committee, have examined the records and accounts of the following treasurers and find them correct:

S. O. Stoltz, Conference Treasurer; J. C. Fowler, Treasurer Church and Parsonage Building Association; E. M. Pierson, Treasurer Board of Directors General Church Erection, and J. T. McCreery, Treasurer Beneficiary Aid Association.

We find an error of $17.04 in the account of S. O. Stoltz, which must have been made in change or copying on books which we think is no loss to the Conference as all receipts as per book are accounted for.

We recommend that all treasurers hereafter have on hand at time of auditing duplicate receipts of all monies received, bank books showing deposits and checks for payments made so the accounts can be examined in a more business-like way.

C. A. Dwyer,
Hiram Brubaker,
Auditing Committee.

The report of the Laymen's meeting was read and approved as follows:

We, the Laymen and Lay Delegates of Lower Wabash Conference of the United Brethren Church, assembled in Rossville, Illinois, August 19, 1914, submit to the Annual Conference the following resolutions:

First. We greatly appreciate the presence and the able, inspiring addresses of our beloved Bishop H. H. Fout and the emphasis he has placed upon evangelism and we recommend that the Conference employ Conference Evangelists to be under the direction of the Superintendent and his cabinet.

Second. We approve the system of finance the Church is now trying to establish and pledge ourselves to support the Budget plan.

Third. We approve the action of the Conference in continuing one Superintendent for the entire district.

Fourth. We again wish to go on record as favoring that clause of the resolutions adopted at last year's Annual Conference at Paris, which follows: We recommend to the Annual Conference that the necessary expenses be collected on each charge to pay the expenses of the pastor and delegate to Annual Conference.

Respectfully submitted by the laymen.

The report of the tellers were given as follows:

We report that the following named persons were elected by the ballots cast:

Recording Secretary—Everett E. Johnson.

Statistical Secretary—L. E. Miller.

Treasurer—S. O. Stoltz.

Westfield College Trustees—J. M. England and T. D. Spyker.

Conference Superintendent's Cabinet—Ministers, J. B. Connett, W. L. Duncan, and J. T. McCreery. Laymen, C. E. Bigelow, J. M. England, and H. F. Brubaker.

Conference Finance Commission—Ministers, T. D. Spyker, J. B. Connett, and D. R. Seneff. Laymen, C. E. Bigelow, R. E. Garrett, and H. G. Taylor.

Committee on Home Missions—S. O. Stoltz, Everett E. Johnson, W. L. Duncan, W. L. Perkins, and L. H. Cooley.

Sabbath School Board of Control—C. E. Bigelow, E. M. Pierson and I. S. McIver.

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In the printing the Committee omitted the Statistical Secretary and brought in a second report in which they nominated L. E. Miller and W. L. Perkins. On motion of W. L. Perkins the Recording Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot of the Conference for L. E. Miller.

The report of the special Committee on Policy was read and adopted item by item as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON POLICY.

We, your Committee on Policy beg to submit the following:

1. That it be made imperative that all Benevolence subscriptions be secured immediately after Conference. In no case to go longer than sixty days. In case pastor fail to do this he shall be assisted at once by the Conference Superintendent.
2. All pastors to make quarterly report to the Conference Superintendent using pads prepared by the general Church.
3. That all quarterly conferences be held during the same week.
4. That two special membership days be observed, one to be Easter Sunday, the other Decision Day, at convenience of pastor, striving to have one thousand, five hundred accessions.
5. That two special enrollment days be inaugurated for the Sunday school; namely, Rally Day to be on October 18, and Visitor's Day to be held May 9, making this special effort to increase the enrollment two thousand.
6. That a 10% increase in Telescope subscriptions be secured.
7. That the efficiency work of the Christian Endeavor Society be approved.
8. That the churches observe four uniform Communion days the date to be determined by the Bishops.

W. J. DAVID,
Secretary Committee.

The report on Elder's Orders was read and approved as follows:

REPORT ON ELDER'S ORDERS.

We, your Committee on Elder's Orders would submit the following report:

There appeared before us the following persons: Rev. H. E. Butler, of the Christian Church and Rev. W. W. Whitby, of the Missionary Baptist Church, Mrs. W. O. Albert, Miss Elizabeth

Thomson, and Paul E. Blakney. Rev. Butler and Rev. Whitby are clear in doctrine and in harmony with the polity of the United Brethren Church. Therefore, we recommend that they be received. Mrs. W. O. Albert, Miss Elizabeth Thomson, and Paul E. Blakney are clear in doctrine and therefore recommend that they be ordained.

W. L. DUNCAN,
E. M. PIERSON,
G. W. BONEBRAKE,
Committee.

Adjournment. Benediction by Rev. H. W. Broadstone.

FOURTH DAY—SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

Devotion was led by Rev. Arthur Belden.

The Beneficiary Aid Association held their meeting at this time.

The forty minutes designated for the Seminary Extension was given which included an address by Dr. Funkhouser on the subject "Our Use of the Word of God." The four reasons given by him for our use of the Word were: 1. It was the method of Jesus. 2. It was the method of the apostles. 3. No revival can be apart from the Word. 4. Because of what a little of the Word of God will do.

The Conference Quartet sang beautifully at this time.

A splendid paper was read by Dr. Seneff on the subject, "The Sermon on the Mount."

Rev. W. L. Perkins sang beautifully, at Bishop Fout's request, the song, "God Will Take Care of You."

A splendid paper was read by Rev. E. M. Pierson on the subject, "Christ's Prayer Life by Example and Teaching."

The report on Seminary Extension Program for next year's Conference was read and approved as follows: Pending approval Dr. Funkhouser addressed the Conference.

SEMINARY EXTENSION.

We, your Committee on Seminary Extension to make assignments for the coming year ask to submit the following report:

Central Theme "Paul, the Servant of God."

The Person—Everett E. Johnson.
The Persecutor—G. L. Good.
The Preacher—E. M. Pierson.

The Penman—D. R. Seneff.
The Prisoner—I. S. McIver.
I. Thess.—Time, Place, People, Object, Subject, Analysis—D. C. Ade.
II. Thess.—Time, Place, People, Object, Subject, Analysis—C. O. Myers.
Galatians—Time, Place, People, Object, Subject, Analysis—C. W. Perkins.
I. Cor.—Time, Place, People, Object, Subject, Analysis—H. S. Reese.
II. Cor.—Time, Place, People, Object, Subject, Analysis—N. E. Royer.
Romans 1-8—Time, Place, People, Object, Subject, Analysis—W. L. Perkins.
Romans 9-16—Time, Place, People, Object, Subject, Analysis—W. L. Blackwell.
Ephesians—Time, Place, People, Object, Subject, Analysis—B. N. Sypolt.
Colossians—Time, Place, People, Object, Subject, Analysis—B. F. Dotson.
Philippians—Time, Place, People, Object, Subject, Analysis—J. L. Pellum.
Philemon—Time, Place, People, Object, Subject, Analysis.—H. W. Broadstone.
I. Timothy—Time, Place, People, Object, Subject, Analysis—J. E. Seibert.
Titus—Time, Place, People, Object, Subject, Analysis—W. R. Seitzinger.
II. Timothy—Time, Place, People, Object, Subject, Analysis—J. C. Robinette.
10 of Paul's principal helpers and what each one did—H. E. Butler.
Bishop H. H. Fout to arrange for his own subject in consultation with Dr. G. A. Funkhouser.

J. B. Norviel,
W. L. Duncan,
W. L. Perkins,
Committee.

At Bishop Fout's suggestion an offering for Dr. Funkhouser's expenses in attending the Conference was taken. The amount received was $12.57.

The report on Bible Cause was read and approved as follows:

REPORT ON BIBLE CAUSE.

The Bible? It is a book of philosophy of civil government; all the fundamental principles of good government are taken from

within its pages. It elevates and broadens the minds of those who study it; pure and upright are those who obey its teachings. It is the history of the origin of man. It not only tells of the creation of man, but of God's dealing with man from his creation to the consummation of the plan of salvation. It is not only a history of the part, but a history of the time that is passing over us now; it contains every man's biography. It is a revelation of God to man. It reveals the only way whereby man may be saved. "For it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth." It is the Book of books; the only hope man has for happiness, both in the present and in the future, is found in its instructions and promises to man.

The world was in darkness and superstition, men sought for light through science and philosophy, but it was left for the gospel of the Son of God to dispel darkness and reveal true light. Many nations have emerged from the thick darkness of heathenism and idolatry because of the light of the Scriptures. If the heathen world is to be lifted to a higher plane the Bible will be the foundation of its advancement.

And shall we not say that the many social and political questions that vex the wisest and best of our own country, can never be solved until men will accept the application of the principles of the gospel. The Bible is the blessed book of truth, the knowledge of which breaks the shackles of sin, and gives eternal freedom to man. "Ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."

The Bible is the power which can give us character. Truth is for goodness. The mind free from doubt seeks character, and not only character, but service. We who know the truth are not only under obligation to obey it, but to impart that knowledge to others.

Let us read the Bible more and exhort others to read. And not only this, but let us be doers of the Word. Would we be Christians in fact as well as in name? Let us do as the psalmist, who said, "Thy word have I hid in my heart that I might not sin against thee." There, be it

Resolved, That we study to show ourselves approved unto God, that we may be workmen needing not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. Respectfully submitted,

N. E. Royer.

By motion the proceedings of the Conference were ordered published under the direction of the Recording Secretary.

By motion every minister was instructed to send or bring his report not later than Monday evening, preceding Conference next year.

By motion the Conference gave, by rising, a vote of appreciation to Dr. G. A. Funkhouser for his efficient and helpful service among us.

By motion the final adjournment of Conference is to be after Sunday night's service.

Adjournment. Benediction by Rev. Oscar Smith.

The Licentiates are directed in examinations to the following division of labor by the Reading Course Committees:

First Year.

G. W. Bonebrake, Danville, Illinois—The Teaching of Christ, Future Leadership of the Church.

J. T. McCreery, Lawrenceville, Illinois—Extemporaneous Oratory, United Brethren Church History.

J. C. Fowler, Robinson, Illinois—Making of a Sermon, Principles of Education.

Second Year.

F. H. King, Paris, Illinois—The Preacher, I. and II Timothy and Titus.

O. J. Bogard, Robinson, Illinois—United Brethren Church History, Galatians.

W. O. Albert, St. Francisville, Illinois—Fundamentals of Child Study, The Christian View of the Old Testament.

Third Year.

W. R. Muncie, Olney, Illinois—System of Christian Doctrine, Reasonable Biblical Criticism.

J. B. Connett, Olney, Illinois—The Pastor Preacher, System of Christian Doctrine.

D. R. Seneff, Mowcaqua, Illinois—Psychology, Church History.

Fourth Year

C. A. Dwyer, Danville, Illinois—Ethics, Apologetics.

D. C. Ade, Yale, Illinois—The Building of the Church, Christian Nurture.

L. H. Cooley, Longview, Illinois—System of Christian Doctrine, Jesus and the Gospels.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

Sunday school at 9:30.

At 10:45, the Bishop preached an impressive sermon upon the Transfiguration of our Lord. At the close of the sermon Mrs.

W. O. Albert, Miss Elizabeth Thomson, and Paul E. Blakney were reverently ordained. Conference Superintendent, Rev. J. B. Norviel, Dr. G. A. Funkhouser, and Rev. J. B. Connett assisting the Bishop.

A special offering for East St. Louis was taken amounting to $309 in cash and pledges.

Memorial services were conducted at 2:45 p.m., Rev. S. O. Stoltz, presiding. The services were held for Rev. P. F. Kettring, Rev. W. H. Elliott, Brother J. M. Perkins, Mrs. W. R. Shuey, and Mrs. C. E. Hogue. Revs. J. B. Norviel, E. M. Pierson, J. B. Connett, T. D. Spyker, W. L. Duncan, and J. T. McCreery gave the addresses. The Conference Quartet sang beautifully.

The report on Resolutions was read and approved as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

Having come to the close of another Conference year with its many cares and duties, we want to first of all give to God the praise and glory for all victories and thank Him for the needed grace that has been supplied us. Leaving the past behind us, we look out into the future full of hope and with a spirit of submission saying, the will of God be done, as we strive to lead souls to Christ and the church of our choice.

We here pledge ourselves to be found on the right side of all moral questions and in harmony with a Congress of those who are skilled in the treatment of nervous diseases and diseases of the mind as passed at Chicago, July 14, 1914.

That we condemn the use of alcoholic beverages and promise our support to the suppression of the same by other means than prayer or sermons. That we will stand for a complete overthrow of this dispoiler of the home, church, State and nation.

Whereas, knowing as readers of history and the signs of the times that the so-called Catholic Church has and is entrenching itself behind all political movements to the end of using the same to further its end, such as taking the Bible out of the free school and condemning the school as godless and low, and would suppress free school, press and speech if they had the power, therefore, be it

Resolved, That we, as members of this Conference, will not support any one who is a member of this order in any election or to any place of office or trust by our vote or influence. And, be it further

Resolved, That we are opposed to them as dictators as to what shall or shall not be as to the execution of the law by any officer of the law.

We believe they are opposed to free school, speech and press, because by these means people become enlightened, so they cannot control the many, to the making of the few rich and powerful.

Resolved, That we tender the pastor, Rev. Robert Griffin and family and the good people of Rossville our thanks for the kind manner in which they have entertained all who have attended this gathering.

Resolved, That as pastors and laymen we will use our best efforts to increase the literature of our own Church in the home and Sunday schools.

Resolved, That we will, under God, stand by Rev. J. B. Norviel in making the coming year the best in winning souls to God and will begin early and work hard to secure the largest amount of money to glorify God in the larger work of the Church.

We tender our thanks to the Bishop for his kindly and godly instruction as we have listened to the great things fresh from the throne of God to our hearts, also we praise God for the inspiration and helpfulness of all the general officers present who have brought such sweet messages of love.

Resolved, That each pastor be urged to leave a complete record of all members in a book provided for such purpose and keep a complete record of official members and Telescope subscribers with the date of expiration.

B. B. PHELPS,
Committee.

By motion Rev. H. W. Broadstone is to be recognized as Conference Evangelist.

At night Professor M. A. Honline addressed a large audience on the subject of "Science and Religion."

Closing benediction by Bishop H. H. Fout.

STATIONING COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

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Rev. H. W. Broadstone, Conference Evangelist.
Rev. B. C. Peters, student in Otterbein University.

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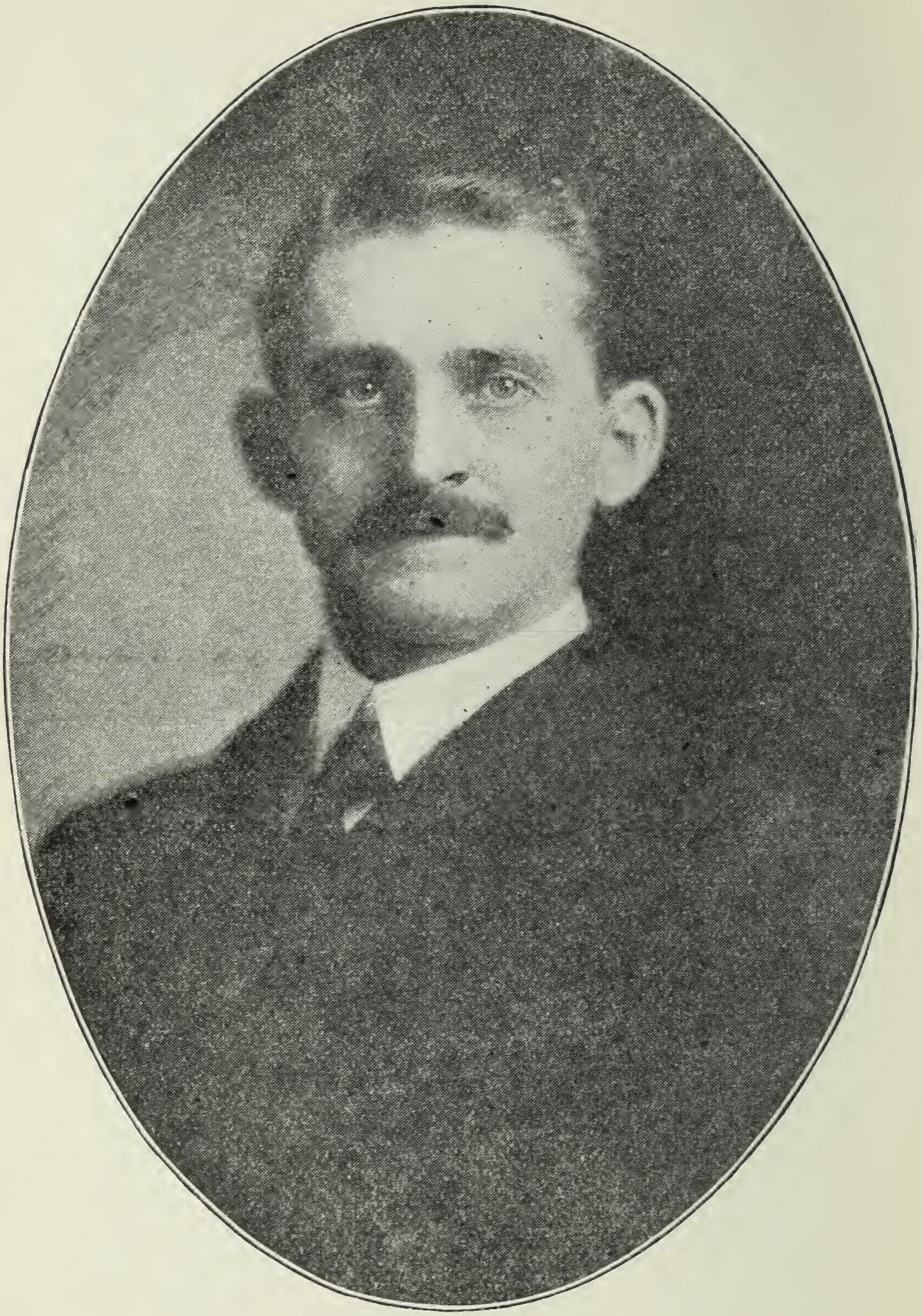

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Of Members from Organization of the Conference

Cherished Names.	*Died.*	*Cherished Names.*	*Died.*
A. Dunbar	1860	M. Hall	1885
H. S. Stump	1860	S. B. Allen	1886
W. H. Brown	1861	J. L. Cardwell	1889
S. Coblentz	1862	L. S. Chittenden	1892
T. B. Thrapp	1863	A. Helton	1892
A. Sweasy	1864	J. Grim	1892
S. Greason	1867	Daniel Mater	1893
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D. Stoltz	1874	S. Schlosser	1896
A. W. Hedge	1874	E. Shuey	1897
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H. Severn	1882	J. Peachy	1908
W. McGinnis	1883	W. Quigley	1908
S. Ross	1883	J. Cougill	1910
J. Tobey	1884	B. G. Wood	1911
A. Collins	1884	D. F. Meek	1912
J. Burtner	1884	W. O. Haycock	1913
P. Brock	1884	J. W. Nye	1913
S. Allenbaugh	1884	W. H. Elliott	1914
S. C. Stewart	1885	J. F. Moore	1915

ROLL OF MEMBERS

Active Itinerants.	*Joined.*	*Ordained.*	*Post-office.*
Ball, G. W.	1890	1905	Penfield, Ill.
Blackwell, W. L.	1913	1915	Rossville, Ill.
Broadstone, H. W.	1874	1888	Robinson, Ill.
Blakeney, Paul E.	1913	1914	E. St. Louis, Ill.
Bonebrake, G. W.	1900	1902	Paris, Ill.
Bogard, H. A.	1906	1912	————
Cooley, L. H.	1881	1891	Chesterville, Ill.
Connett, J. B.	1886	1889	Olney, Ill.
Decker, T. H.	1907	1911	Fisher, Ill.
Dotson, B. F.	1914	1915	St. Francisville, Ill.
Duncan, W. L.	1894	1900	Westfield, Ill.
Dwyer, C. A.	1910	1900	Attica, Ind
Fowler, J. C.	1887	1891	Robinson, Ill.
Fowler, J. F.	1895	1901	Redmon, Ill.
Good, G. L.	1915		Beecher City, Ill.
Hall, R. B.	1914	1913	Parkersburg, Ill.
Hudson, H. D.	1898	1901	St. Francisville, Ill.
Johnson, Everett E.	1913		Charleston, Ill.
McCreery, J. T.	1891	1898	Lawrenceville, Ill.
McIver, I. S.	1902	1913	Robinson, Ill.
Miller, L. E.	1900	1903	Toledo, Ill.
Muncie, W. R.	1877	1880	Olney, Ill.
Myers, C. O.	1904	1907	Galton, Ill.
Norviel, J. B.	1887	1890	Urbana, Ill.
Padrick, G. W.	1902		Longview, Ill.
Pellum, J. L.	1903	1911	Danville, Ill.
Perkins, W. L.	1902		Casey, Ill.
Phelps, B. B.	1909	1895	Danville, Ill.
Pierson, E. M.	1892	1896	Flora, Ill.
Pierson, Weaver K.	1915		Brownstone, Ill.
Reese, H. S.	1904	1915	Flora, Ill.
Rowe, J. E.	1915		Pesotum, Ill.
Royer, N. E.	1893	1903	Marshall, Ill.
Seitzinger, W. R.	1915		Bluford, Ill.
Sibert, J. E.	1911		Potomac, Ill.
Seneff, R. R.	1885	1888	Moweaqua, Ill.
Spencer, J. E.	1911		Vermilion, Ill.
Smith, Oscar	1913	1903	Clarksburg, Ill.
Spyker, T. D.	1878	1884	Findlay, Ill.
Stoltz, S. O.	1897	1900	Mt. Vernon, Ill.
Stonebraker, W. O.	1915		Birds, Ill.
Sypolt, B. N.	1911	1915	Sumner, Ill.
Thomson, Miss Elizabeth	1907	1914	Casey, Ill.
Webber, R. L.	1910		Yale, Ill.

Superannuated Itinerants.	*Joined.*	*Ordained.*	*Post-office.*
Ade, D. C.	1909	1897	Yale, Ill.
Coen, H.	1900	1874	Olney, Ill.
Fink, F. M.	1885	1898	Rose Hill, Ill.
Holsapple, J. W.	1889	1894	Toledo, Ill.
Johns, E. R.	1886	1890	Enfield, Ill.
Keller, G. W.	1890		Taylorville, Ill.
Mills, S.	1859	1861	Westfield, Ill.
Stevenson, Mrs. D. K.	1891	1894	Toledo, Ill.
Tohill, J.	1879	1889	Oblong, Ill.
Walters, T.	1881	1891	Olney, Ill.

Supernumerary Itinerants.	*Joined.*	*Ordained.*	*Post-office.*
Albert, W. O.	1909	1913	San Diego, Cal.
Albert, Mrs. W. O.	1905	1914	San Diego, Cal.
Boley, E.	1897	1900	Olney, Ill.
Boster, G. W.	1894	1899	Dahlgren, Ill.
Bowman, Mrs. Sarah D.	1909		Danville, Ill.
Byard, Z. H.	1888	1891	Villa Grove, Ill.
Byrd, L.	1909	1885	Rossville, Ill.
Cooper, L. M.	1912		
Coffman, J.	1870	1871	Bluford, Ill.
Eastin, J. H.	1910		Kirksville, Ill.
Fear, W. L.	1911		
Fear, Mrs. W. L.	1912		
Gladwell, C. N.	1910		Champaign, Ill.
Nash, Mrs. R. J.	1905	1910	Clay City, Ill.
Olmstead, A. J.	1910		Johnstown, Ill.
Perkins, C. W.	1909		Vergennes, Ill.
Peters, B. C.	1909		Dayton, Ohio.
Shuey, W. R.	1862	1869	Westfield, Ill.
Smith, J. A.	1873	1878	Valliant, Okla.
Stevenson, D. K.	1887	1893	Toledo. Ill.
Whitby, W. W.	1914		Niantic, Ill.

Local.	*Joined.*	*Ordained.*	*Post-office.*
Bond, Guy			Olney, Ill.
Godard, Lloyd			Rose Hill, Ill.
Kauble, Elizabeth A.	1914		Flora, Ill.
Patton, D. W.			Johnstown, Ill.
Powell, A. F.			White Heath, Ill.
Raley, W. T.			Vergennes, Ill.

LAY DELEGATES

Fields.	*Delegates.*
Avena	Absent
Blue Mound	Mate Kirby
Broadlands	Charles Davis
Birds	John Simons
Beecher City	Prudence Ponsler
Bluford	S. L. Neal
Charleston,	A. E. Stites
Chesterville	William Cummings
Casey Sta.	R. Shore
Casey Ct.	John Hight
Clarksburg	Absent
Danville, Sta.	R. E. Garrett
Danville Ct.	Julia Storey
East St. Louis	Absent
Fisher	Absent
Flora Sta.	J. L. Berry
Flora Ct,	Lewis Stanford
Findlay	Ida Alvey
Galton	Absent
Hamletsburg	Absent
Johnstown	Charles Parker
Loogootee	Absent
Locust Grove	Jacob Longenbaugh
Lawrenceville,	Robert Middaugh
Mt. Vernon	Absent
Marshall Sta.	Etta Good
Marshall Ct.	Orville Jeffers
New Hebron	Absent
Oakwood	Van Davis
Olney Sta.	William Berry, Sr.
Olney Ct.	N. L. Montgomery
Oblong	W. B. Jones
Otterbein	Noah Wright
Pesotum	T. E. Cooper
Potomac	Absent
Penfield	Absent
Paris	G. Bomgardner
Parkersburg	Everett Rose
Redmon	Howard Van Awkin
Rossville	Gussie Laflin
Robinson	Ella McColpin
Rose Hill	C. A. Smith
Sumner	A. L. Caudle
St. Francisville Sta.	C. L. Stephenson
St. Francisville Ct.	Absent
Toledo	Ed. Gordon
Vermilion Ct.	J. A. Hornberger
Vergennes	Wm. Quigley
White Heath	Hiram Curl
Wood River	A. B. Herr
Westfield Sta.	Mrs. C. C. Rider
Westfield Ct.	J. M. Hutton
Yale	S. S. Farley

CONFERENCE RECORD FROM ORGANIZATION

Time.	*Place.*	*Bishop.*	*Secretaries.*
Mar. 17-21, 1859	Westfield, Ill.	Edwards	W. C. Smith.
Mar. 22-25, 1860	New Hebron, Ill.	Edwards	W. C. Smith.
Mar. 21-24, 1861	Vermilion, Ill.	Edwards	W. C. Smith.
Mar. 13-16, 1862	Westfield, Ill.	Edwards	W. C. Smith, S. Mills.
Mar. 26-29, 1863	Centerpoint, Ind.	Edwards	W. C. Smith, S. Mills.
Mar. 31-April 4, 1864.	Vermilion, Ill.	Edwards	S. Mills, J. W. Nye.
Sept. 8-11, 1864	New Hebron, Ill.	Edwards	S. Mills, J. W. Nye.
Sept. 7- —, 1865	Parkersburg, Ill.	Weaver	S. Mills, G. W. Keller.
Aug. 22-25, 1866	Westfield, Ill.	Weaver	S. Mills, J. W. Nye.
Aug. 27-31, 1867	Prairieton, Ind.	Weaver	S. Mills, J. W. Nye.
Aug. 19-23, 1868	Vermilion, Ill.	Weaver	S. Mills, J. W. Nye.
Aug. 19-23, 1869	Westfield, Ill.	Edwards	S. Mills, J. W. Nye.
Sept. 14-19, 1870	New Hebron, Ill.	Edwards	J. H. Ross, W. C. Smith.
Sept. 6-11, 1871	Terre Haute, Ind.	Edwards	J. H. Ross, S. Mills.
Aug. 21-26, 1872	New Goshen, Ind.	Edwards	S. Mills, R. L. Brengle.
Aug. 4-9, 1873	Westfield, Ill.	Dickson	S. Mills, R. L. Brengle.
Oct. 8-12, 1874	Prairieton, Ind.	Dickson	S. Mills, W. H. Long.
Sept. 29-Oct. 2, 1875	Vermilion, Ill.	Dickson	S. Mills, W. H. Long.
Oct. 4-8, 1876	Middlebury, Ind.	Dickson	S. Mills, H. L. Brengle.
Sept. 26-30, 1877	Centerpoint, Ind.	Weaver	S. Mills, W. H. Long.
Oct. 9-13, 1878	Westfield, Ill.	Weaver	S. Mills, H. L. Brengle.
Oct. 15-19, 1879	Vermilion, Ill.	Weaver	S. Mills.
Oct. 6-10, 1880	Centerpoint, Ind.	Weaver	S. Mills, H. L. Brengle.
Sept. 28-Oct. 2, 1881	New Goshen, Ind.	Kephart	S. Mills, R. L. Brengle.
Sept. 6-10, 1882	Parkersburg, Ill.	Kephart	S. Mills, R. L. Brengle.
Sept. 19-23, 1883	Westfield, Ill.	Kephart	S. Mills, W. R. Muncie.
Sept. 17-21, 1884	New Hebron, Ill.	Kephart	S. Mills, W. R. Muncie.
Sept. 30-Oct. 4, 1885	Redmon, Ill.	Castle	S. Mills, W. R. Muncie.
Sept. 29-Oct. 3, 1886	Centerpoint, Ind.	Kephart	S. Mills, W. R. Muncie.
Sept. 28-Oct. 2, 1887	New Hebron, Ill.	Weaver	S. Mills, W. R. Muncie.
Sept. 26-30, 1888	Westfield, Ill.	Dickson	S. Mills, W. R. Muncie.
Sept. 25-29, 1889	Clay City, Ind.	Kephart	S. Mills, D. R. Seneff.
Sept. 24-30, 1890	Paris, Ill.	Castle	S. Mills, D. R. Seneff.
Aug. 26-30, 1891	Westfield, Ill.	Weaver	S. Mills, W. R. Shuey.
Aug. 31-Sept. 4, 1892	Clay City, Ind.	Dickson	S. Mills, W. R. Shuey.
Aug. 30-Sept. 4, 1893	Terra Haute, Ind.	Hott	S. Mills, W. R. Shuey.
Aug. 20-Sept. 2, 1894	Westfield, Ill.	Castle	S. Mills, W. R. Shuey.
Aug. 28-Sept. 1, 1895	Oblong, Ill.	Kephart	L. H. Cooley, A. D. Markley.
Sept. 9-13, 1896	Paris, Ill.	Mills	L. H. Cooley, A. D. Markley.
Sept. 22-26, 1897	Clay City, Ind.	Weaver	L. H. Cooley, A. D. Markley.
Sept. 21-25, 1898	Terre Haute, Ind.	Castle	L. H. Cooley, A. D. Markley.
Aug. 30-Sept. 3, 1899	Westfield, Ill.	Castle	L. H. Cooley, A. D. Markley.
Sept. 5-9, 1900	Olney, Ill.	Weaver	L. H. Cooley, A. D. Markley.
Sept. 4-8, 1901	Casey, Ill.	Hott	L. H. Cooley, A. D. Markley.
Aug. 27-31, 1902	Oblong, Ill.	Mathews	L. H. Cooley, A. D. Markley.
Aug. 26-30, 1903	Terre Haute, Ind.	Mathews	L. H. Cooley, A. D. Markley.
Aug. 17-21, 1904	Mt. Vernon, Ind.	Mathews	L. H. Cooley, J. A. Hawkins.
Sept. 6-11, 1905	Olney, Ill.	Mathews	Edw. Boley, A. D. Markley.
Aug. 29-Sept. 2, 1906	Westfield, Ill.	Mathews	A. D. Markley, W. L. Perkins.
Aug. 21-25, 1907	Terre Haute, Ind.	Mathews	A. D. Markley, L. H. Cooley.
Aug. 1923, 1908	Paris, Ill.	Mathews	A. D. Markley, L. H. Cooley.
Aug. 18-22, 1909	Casey, Ill.	Mathews	A. D. Markley, L. H. Cooley.
Sept. 7-11, 1910	Robinson, Ill.	Bell	L. H. Cooley, W. L. Perkins.
Aug. 23-27, 1911	Danville, Ill.	Mathews	L. H. Cooley, C. A. Dwyer.
Aug. 21-25, 1912	St. Francisvile, Ill.	Mathews	L. H. Cooley, L. E. Miller.
Aug. 20-24, 1913	Paris, Ill.	Fout	Ev. E. Johnson, L. E. Miller.
Aug. 19-23, 1914	Rossville, Ill.	Fout	Ev. E. Johnson, L. E. Miller.
Aug. 18-22, 1915	Olney, Ill.	Fout	Ev. E. Johnson, L. E. Miller.

FIELD OF LABOR	NAME OF PREACHER	No. Churches on Charge	New Churches Organized	No. Churches Disorganized	Beginning of Year	Received by Conf. of Faith	Received by Letter or Transfer	Rec'd by Change in Boundary	Total in Church during Year
Avena	J. E. Seibert	4	....	....	145	3	5	5	153
Blue Mound	G. W. Ball	2	....	....	115	1	3	....	119
Broadlands	L. H. Cooley	2	....	....	159	17	2	....	178
Birds	C. A. Curtis	5	....	....	170	55	6	....	231
Beecher City Circuit	G. L. Good	3	....	....	209	45	5	....	259
Bluford	W. R. Seitzinger	5	....	....	392	44	15	....	451
Charleston	Everett E. Johnson	1	....	....	93	51	4	....	148
Chesterville	N. E. Royer	1	....	....	172	8	....	....	180
Casey Station	W. L. Perkins	1	....	....	319	41	15	....	375
Casey Circuit	S. Garrison	4	....	....	205	9	....	....	214
Clarksburg	J. W. Bobb	2	....	....	196	15	....	....	211
Danville Station	G. W. Bonebrake	1	....	....	222	24	4	....	250
Danville Circuit	Sarah D. Bowman	3	....	....	285	53	....	....	338
East St. Louis	E. M. Pierson	1	....	....	20	15	5	....	40
Fisher	T. H. Decker	2	....	....	195	17	2	....	214
Flora Station	I. S. McIver	1	....	....	151	14	....	....	165
Flora Circuit	H. S. Reese	4	....	....	319	122	....	....	441
Findlay	W. M. Merrill	2	....	....	141	5	....	....	146
Galton	H. D. Hudson	1	....	....	172	5	1	....	178
Johnstown	Leo B. Venatta	4	....	....	184	2	3	....	189
Loogootee	T. E. Spencer	4	....	....	150	44	1	....	195
Locust Grove	D. R. Seneff	1	....	....	154	2	....	....	156
Lawrenceville	J. T. McCreery	2	....	....	340	41	15	....	396
Mt. Vernon	S. O. Stoltz	1	....	....	52	18	4	....	74
Marshall Station	F. B. Dotson	1	....	....	76	7	2	....	85
Marshall Circuit	L. E. Miller	5	....	....	362	4	9	....	375
New Hebron	J. C. Fowler	4	....	....	286	65	....	....	351
Oakwood	Arthur Beldon	4	....	....	257	57	11	....	325
Oak Grove	J. Coffman	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Olney Station	J. B. Connett	1	....	....	337	6	7	....	350
Olney Circuit	C. O. Myers	4	....	....	285	8	1	....	294
Oblong	Curtis Williams	2	....	....	264	41	2	10	317
Otterbein	W. R. Muncie	5	....	....	304	29	....	....	333
Pesotum	Elizabeth Thomson	2	....	....	172	4	1	....	177
Potomac	T. D. Spyker	2	....	....	192	18	....	....	210
Penfield	G. W. Padrick	2	....	....	146	18	....	....	164
Paris	.....	1	....	....	263	28	....	....	291
Parkersburg	R. B. Hall	4	....	....	290	12	6	....	308
Prairie Chapel	W. M. Merrill	1	....	....	40	....	....	....	40
Redmon	H. E. Butler	3	....	....	283	18	....	....	301
Rossville	W. L. Blackwell	3	....	....	170	15	9	37	231
Robinson	O. J. Bogard	1	....	....	265	8	....	....	273
Rose Hill	W. K. Pierson	4	....	....	156	6	....	69	231
Shiloh	.....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sumner	B. N. Sypolt	4	....	....	367	48	2	....	417
St. Francisville Station	W. O. Albert	1	....	....	195	4	12	....	211
St. Francisville Circuit	J. L. Pellum	4	....	....	302	13	....	....	315
Toledo	J. C. Robinette	3	....	....	161	14	....	....	175
Vermilion Circuit	B. B. Phelps	3	....	....	118	9	....	110	237
Vergennes	.....	4	....	....	260	....	....	....	260
White Heath	Oscar Smith	3	....	....	229	4	....	....	233
Wood River	F. C. Aungst	2	....	....	64	47	5	....	116
Westfield Station	W. L. Duncan	1	....	....	240	1	....	....	241
Westfield Circuit	R. L. Webber	4	....	....	306	25	1	....	332
Yale	D. C. Ade	4	....	....	329	14	6	....	349
Hamletsburg	.....	2	....	....	80	18	....	....	98
	Totals	141	....	....	11359	1191	164	226	12940

Lost by Death	Lost by Letter and Transfer	Lost by Change in Boundary	All Other Losses	Total Loss	Present Membership	Increase	Decrease	Under Watch-Care of Church	No. Y. P. S. C. E. Societies	Members	Junior and Int. C. E. Societies	Members	No. Otterbein Brotherhoods	Members	No. W. M. A. Societies	Members	No. Otterbein Guilds
2	2	.....	14	18	135	....	9	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
1	1	.....	3	5	114	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
1	3	.....	....	4	174	15	....	....	1	25	1	12	....	....	....	....	1
5	1	.....	14	20	211	41	....	....	2	85	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
3	4	.....	10	17	242	33	....	....	3	81	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
5	9	.....	20	34	417	25	....	....	3	91	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
1	11	.....	....	12	136	43	....	....	1	48	1	9	1	23	1	17	....
1	2	.....	....	3	177	5	....	....	1	58	1	30	1	24	1	19	....
6	9	.....	4	19	356	37	....	....	1	76	1	84	....	....	1	....	1
1	5	.....	....	6	208	3	....	....	1	31	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
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1	14	.....	13	28	222	....	....	....	1	31	2	46	....	....	1	37	1
5	8	.....	11	24	314	29	....	....	3	109	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
....	1	.....	1	2	38	18	....	....	....	....	1	26	....	....	....	....	....
2	....	.....	15	17	197	2	....	....	2	78	1	22	1	12	1	8	1
....	7	.....	18	25	140	....	11	....	1	65	1	50	....	....	....	....	....
2	....	.....	25	27	414	95	....	....	4	160	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
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3	11	.....	32	46	350	10	....	1	2	133	1	63	....	....	1	26	1
....	6	.....	2	8	66	14	....	....	1	25	1	20	....	....	....	....	....
2	5	.....	14	21	64	....	12	....	1	25	1	25	....	....	1	10	1
4	3	.....	4	11	364	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	3	15	....
....	17	.....	....	17	334	48	....	....	3	200	....	....	....	....	2	35	1
4	7	.....	21	32	293	36	....	....	1	38	....	....	....	....	1	9	1
....	....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
4	5	.....	18	27	323	....	14	24	1	94	1	52	1	56	1	36	1
1	7	.....	21	29	265	....	20	....	2	60	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
4	5	12	14	35	282	18	....	....	1	38	1	40	....	....	1	13	....
2	3	.....	20	25	308	4	....	....	2	30	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
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1	5	.....	2	8	283	20	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
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3	10	.....	5	18	213	43	....	....	1	28	1	17	1	....	....	....	....
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6	2	.....	2	10	221	65	....	....	1	22	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
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3	5	.....	3	11	406	43	....	....	4	112	1	35	....	....	1	18	....
2	6	.....	....	8	203	8	....	....	1	26	2	50	....	....	1	28	1
7	....	.....	19	26	289	....	13	....	1	20	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
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3	6	31	....	40	197	71	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	44	....
....	....	.....	23	23	237	....	23	....	1	40	....	....	1	18	....	....	....
2	....	.....	....	2	231	2	....	....	1	25	1	26	....	....	....	....	....
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4	10	.....	32	46	195	....	43	....	1	35	1	35	1	46	1	81	1
3	2	.....	38	43	289	....	17	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
....	10	71	67	148	201	....	148	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
....	....	.....	12	12	86	6	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
106	231	282	553	1172	11760	913	383	25	61	2366	23	745	9	206	26	452	12

FIELD O LABOR	Members in Otterbein Guilds	No. Sunday Schools	Teachers and Officers	Scholars in Main School	Scholars in Home Dept.	No. on Cradle Roll	Total Enrollment	Average Attendance	No. Organized Adult Classes	Organ'd Classes (ages 12-20)	Scholars in Or'd Adult Classes	Sunday School Libraries	Volumes in Libraries
Avena	....	2	20	160	....	20	180	120	2	1	35	1	17
Blue Mound	....	2	14	75	....	....	97	60	....	....	....	....	....
Broadlands	20	2	30	170	27	18	215	120	2	....	40	....	....
Birds	....	5	19	....	....	....	426	236	....	....	....	....	....
Beecher City Circuit	....	3	50	342	....	28	420	175	2	....	64	....	....
Bluford	....	5	47	383	....	30	460	229	....	....	....	....	....
Charleston	....	1	22	136	....	34	192	72	2	1	24	1	7
Chesterville	....	1	18	175	....	25	200	92	2	....	50	....	....
Casey Station	....	1	20	422	22	36	500	....	5	....	260	....	....
Casey Circuit	....	4	15	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Clarksburg	....	2	7	80	....	....	87	....	1	....	....	....	....
Danville Station	30	1	32	219	11	23	253	124	5	1	90	1	6
Danville Circuit	....	3	38	185	19	16	258	140	4	....	70	....	....
East St. Louis	....	1	10	....	....	....	68	20	....	....	....	....	....
Fisher	5	2	27	120	12	28	191	....	7	....	66	....	....
Flora Station	....	1	16	127	....	27	154	73	3	3	46	....	....
Flora Circuit	....	4	51	388	25	61	449	390	7	3	55	....	....
Findlay	..	2	25	174	....	15	214	120	9	....	65	....	....
Galton	....	1	8	60	....	12	82	40	2	1	38	....	....
Johnstown	....	4	42	....	....	....	245	165	....	....	....	....	....
Loogootee	....	4	35	225	15	40	275	180	3	2	45	2	35
Locust Grove	24	1	19	90	....	30	140	76	....	....	....	....	....
Lawrenceville	23	2	40	383	36	95	554	208	7	5	160	....	....
Mt. Vernon	....	1	11	106	....	20	137	65	....	....	....	....	....
Marshall Station	10	1	....	60	....	17	77	35	3	....	40	....	....
Marshall Circuit	....	5	48	315	....	27	390	....	4	....	70	....	....
New Hebron	27	4	64	35	25	94	536	300	8	....	96	....	....
Oakwood	18	4	44	341	12	65	433	199	1	....	17	2	45
Oak Grove	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Olney Station	39	1	28	275	42	78	423	200	3	2	135	....	....
Olney Circuit	....	3	30	....	....	40	260	....	....	....	....	....	....
Oblong	....	2	27	275	....	45	310	205	2	....	....	....	....
Otterbein	....	5	17	295	....	20	315	250	....	....	....	....	....
Pesotum	....	2	24	165	11	10	186	100	2	2	46	....	....
Potomac	....	2	27	160	10	26	100	20	....	....	....	....	....
Penfield	....	2	30	175	12	25	242	150	4	5	20	....	....
Paris	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Parkersburg	....	4	43	322	....	56	378	221	....	....	....	....	....
Prairie Chapel	....	1	9	47	....	....	56	30	1	2	15	....	....
Redmon	....	3	....	303	66	66	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Rossville	....	3	33	234	35	38	340	137	6	....	....	....	....
Robinson	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Rose Hill	....	4	38	158	....	....	196	103	....	1	29	....	....
Shiloh	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Sumner	....	4	66	352	....	....	420	....	19	....	270	....	....
St. Francisville Station	26	1	18	180	....	18	216	....	5	....	....	1	....
St. Francisville Circuit	....	4	45	276	....	7	283	187	....	....	....	....	....
Toledo	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Vermilion Circuit	....	3	36	226	37	27	323	140	3	....	....	....	....
Vergennes	....	3	28	300	....	68	396	....	2	....	36	....	....
White Heath	....	2	9	90	25	30	164	....	....	....	....	....	....
Wood River	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Westfield Station	35	1	23	150	40	60	273	140	6	5	90	....	....
Westfield Circuit	....	4	40	190	....	....	230	160	....	....	....	....	....
Yale	....	4	46	195	....	16	250	157	....	....	....	....	....
Hamletsburg	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Totals	257	127	1389	9139	482	1391	12594	5439	158	34	1936	8	110

Added Church from S. S.	Religious Telescope	Watchword	Friend for Boys and Girls	Otterbein Teacher	Otterbein Adult Quarterly	Otterbein Senior Quarterly	Otterbein Int. Quarterly	Otterbein Home Dept. Quarterly	Weekly Bible Lesson Leaves	Lessons for our Juniors	Bible pictures for little ones	Lesson Picture Chart	Graded Series Junior	Graded Series Primary	Graded Series Beginners	Froeliche Botschafter	Jugend Pilger
.....	10	....	20	4	....	60	25	....	20	....	15	....	20	15	20	....	....
4	15	....	....	....	50	....	25	....	....	20	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
16	20	13	30	16	50	35	90	30	15	22	32	....	....	....	....	....	....
44	12	....	50	7	....	145	140	40	....	82	91	1	....	....	....	....	....
29	25	25	10	7	....	....	230	....	26	57	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
28	41	30	56	11	55	140	120	....	65	55	65	....	....	....	....	....	....
19	5	6	50	4	30	35	....	12	10	....	....	....	39	20	20	....	....
8	10	11	30	10	....	80	40	....	50	10	12	1	....	....	....	....	....
19	37	130	60	12	....	250	61	20	100	....	....	....	70	....	....	....	....
.....	9	10	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
.....	9	....	....	....	....	52	30	....	35	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
22	20	10	50	13	60	....	56	10	....	....	....	....	....	20	15	....	....
31	25	52	....	5	51	91	37	20	8	27	15	1	30	15	....	....	....
8	14	8	15	1	....	25	15	....	....	15	15	1	....	....	....	....	....
13	27	20	20	14	12	80	20	....	....	12	24	2	....	....	....	....	....
.....	8	35	....	5	....	60	15	....	13	30	20	1	....	....	....	....	....
68	30	31	....	5	120	60	80	20	20	30	15	1	....	....	....	....	....
.....	9	20	....	3	190	....	40	....	20	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
5	8	10	....	5	....	35	30	....	10	....	30	1	....	....	....	....	....
.....	7	1	20	1	22	....	....	....	30	....	40	1	....	....	....	....	....
20	19	2	40	12	75	70	18	10	40	30	35	1	....	....	....	....	....
1	17	13	....	7	40	50	30	....	25	25	25	1	....	....	....	....	....
14	37	70	50	20	20	140	60	36	....	50	50	2	....	....	....	....	....
.....	10	20	40	8	....	45	35	....	10	30	20	....	....	....	....	....	....
5	9	30	....	....	....	30	15	....	20	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
4	39	74	....	19	....	195	40	....	25	22	....	1	....	1	....	....	....
38	74	100	45	23	230	80	55	....	50	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
50	14	19	....	14	69	61	66	12	62	65	95	3	....	....	....	....	....
.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
3	62	16	....	....	110	130	....	45	10	....	....	....	80	30	80	....	....
9	28	15	25	5	145	51	....	....	....	60	50	....	....	....	....	....	....
14	27	65	60	10	16	90	75	15	50	25	50	1	....	....	....	....	....
22	15	10	....	....	....	200	50	50	....	....	50	2	....	....	....	....	....
.....	20	21	24	11	56	50	25	10	....	....	20	2	....	....	....	....	....
15	12	70	30	15	130	....	60	9	....	20	20	....	....	....	....	....	....
.....	9	60	....	9	50	120	57	....	40	45	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
.....	29	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
.....	36	85	10	....	....	230	50	12	55	40	10	2	15	15	15	....	....
.....	2	....	....	....	10	....	....	....	10	....	10	....	....	....	....	....	....
10	15	30	15	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
1	20	55	55	12	....	67	100	35	....	....	....	....	30	....	....	....	....
.....	30	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
6	14	12	....	3	....	109	52	....	5	27	27	2	....	....	....	....	....
.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
39	53	90	50	23	270	....	59	....	....	75	75	4	....	....	....	....	....
4	29	60	25	12	24	24	60	10	24	....	60	1	....	....	....	....	....
11	38	40	....	9	....	110	135	....	10	65	79	....	....	....	....	....	....
.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
.....	22	16	45	22	25	85	40	24	12	13	20	2	....	....	....	....	....
.....	4	1	....	10	....	160	75	....	....	40	25	1	15	15	25	....	....
4	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
.....	4	12	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
1	34	5	20	12	60	50	40	20	25	....	14	4	15	25	20	....	....
6	19	....	....	2	....	250	200	....	50	50	50	....	....	....	....	....	....
13	15	....	65	8	....	115	65	....	....	37	25	....	....	....	....	....	....
.....	4	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
566	1101	1403	1010	389	1970	3560	2516	440	895	1079	1194	39	314	155	195	1	....

FIELD OF LABOR	Woman's Evangel	Pastor's Salary Paid by Charge	Missionary Appropriation	Parsonage Rent	Presents Rec'd	Total Received by Pastor	Conference Supt. Salary
Avena	....	$ 446 90	$	$ 60 00	$ 25 00	$ 531 90	$ 19 20
Blue Mound	....	560 00	.....	.....	25 00	585 00	28 00
Broadlands	6	578 94	.....	75 00	27 62	681 56	35 00
Birds	....	350 00	.....	50 00	30 00	430 00	32 00
Beecher City Circuit	1	500 00	.....	60 00	59 67	619 67	24 00
Bluford	....	600 00	.....	96 00	20 40	716 40	35 00
Charleston	5	250 00	.....	.....	19 15	832 58	16 00
Chesterville	5	625 00	.....	100 00	77 00	802 00	24 00
Casey Station	13	1200 00	.....	180 00	.....	1380 00	35 00
Casey Circuit	....	537 00	.....	.....	.....	537 00	36 00
Clarksburg	....	300 00	.....	75 00	.....	375 00	24 00
Danville Station	17	803 42	100 00	180 00	49 00	1132 42	32 00
Danville Circuit	20	676 38	.....	.....	2700	703 38	41 00
East St. Louis	....	.....	865 69	100 00	85 00	1050 69	12 00
Fisher	5	600 00	.....	100 00	50 00	750 00	30 00
Flora Station	....	500 00	250 00	120 00	33 00	903 00	20 00
Flora Circuit	....	800 00	.....	100 00	155 00	1136 00	36 00
Findlay	....	40 00	.....	.....	.....	40 00	14 00
Galton	....	600 00	.....	100 00	47 65	747 65	24 00
Johnstown	....	333 50	.....	.....	25 00	358 50	24 00
Loogootee	....	500 00	.....	100 00	100 00	700 00	32 00
Locust Grove	....	650 00	.....	100 00	20 00	770 00	32 00
Lawrenceville	18	900 00	100 00	.....	85 65	1085 65	28 00
Mt. Vernon	....	340 00	500 00	.....	25 00	865 00	14 00
Marshall Station	12	342 00	250 00	120 00	35 00	747 00	8 30
Marshall Circuit	13	830 00	.....	.....	100 00	930 00	35 50
New Hebron	27	850 00	.....	150 00	50 00	1050 00	41 00
Oakwood	13	775 00	.....	90 00	60 00	925 00	37 36
Oak Grove	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Olney Station	23	962 00	.....	200 00	40 00	1202 00	36 00
Olney Circuit	1	512 00	.....	50 00	17 00	579 00	37 41
Oblong	8	825 00	.....	100 00	110 00	1035 00	6 00
Otterbein	....	530 00	.....	.....	.....	530 00	32 00
Pesotum	1	500 00	.....	64 00	40 00	604 00	24 00
Potomac	1	700 00	.....	100 00	70 00	870 00	38 00
Penfield	....	405 50	.....	75 00	25 00	505 50	31 00
Paris	....	820 00	.....	150 00	.....	970 00	36 00
Parkersburg	....	650 00	.....	100 00	60 00	810 00	36 00
Prairie Chapel	....	75 00	.....	.....	.....	75 00	2 00
Redmon	....	750 00	.....	100 00	29 14	879 14	.....
Rossville	....	800 00	.....	120 00	151 20	1071 20	38 00
Robinson	....	525 00	.....	140 00	25 00	690 00	36 00
Rose Hill	....	310 69	.....	.....	61 50	372 19	26 00
Shiloh	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sumner	9	1000 00	.....	150 00	65 00	1215 00	41 00
St. Francisville Sta	6	650 00	.....	80 00	10 00	740 00	35 00
St. Francisville Circuit	....	700 00	.....	150 00	50 00	900 00	32 00
Toledo	....	500 00	250 00	84 00	.....	834 00	.....
Vermilion Circuit	....	673 35	.....	100 00	81 74	855 09	35 62
Vergennes	....	50 00	.....	60 00	.....	110 00	19 00
White Heath	....	420 00	.....	120 00	55 00	595 00	26 00
Wood River	....	250 00	150 00	.....	6 00	406 50	20 00
Westfield Station	45	1000 00	.....	120 00	100 00	1220 00	41 00
Westfield Circuit	....	389 90	.....	.....	55 00	444 90	30 00
Yale	....	507 00	.....	75 00	75 00	657 00	36 00
Hamletsburg	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total	249	$ 31943 58	$ 2465 69	$ 4094 00	$ 2357 72	$ 39555 92	$ 1463 39

Local Current Expenses	Church and Parsonage Repair	For New Church	For Local S.S. Purposes	For Local Y.P. S. C. E.	Benevolent Budget	Conf. Church Extension	Special Foreign Missions	Special Home Missions	Special Church Erection
$ 55 00	$ 22 75	$	$ 53 20	.....	$ 45 00	$	$	$	$ .....
47 00	.....	.....	16 00	.....	58 60	.....	.....	.....	.....
135 00	.....	.....	94 14	.....	131 47	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	515 00	.....	154 00	.....	110 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
110 00	121 27	.....	69 50	.....	93 26	.....	.....	.....	.....
204 25	389 84	.....	102 45	15 12	170 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
123 73	12 00	.....	69 73	14 62	100 00	.....	5 15	5 15	.....
112 00	87 00	.....	100 00	.....	85 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
267 96	.....	7459 00	.....	.....	250 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	89 50	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 41	.....	.....	.....	.....
190 00	10 00	.....	120 00	4 00	206 40	.....	.....	.....	.....
152 66	252 00	.....	158 75	12 66	221 52	34 00	.....	.....	.....
172 15	5 00	2747 55	50 00	.....	75 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
98 34	7 40	2500 00	65 00	.....	137 36	.....	.....	.....	.....
130 00	163 00	.....	130 00	31 00	75 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
105 00	3 00	.....	160 00	21 00	183 01	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	64 49	.....	.....	.....	.....
99 25	272 81	.....	58 01	.....	39 90	.....	.....	.....	15 00
88 00	97 49	.....	57 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
175 00	150 00	.....	75 00	.....	47 55	15 00	2 00	2 00	.....
83 65	12 00	.....	30 00	.....	133 88	.....	.....	.....	.....
340 00	350 00	.....	294 49	33 78	200 00	66 00	.....	.....	.....
90 00	5 00	875 00	62 00	6 00	45 00	.....	.....	.....	7 00
30 00	25 00	.....	30 00	30 00	73 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
159 00	160 00	.....	177 00	.....	159 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
275 00	150 00	.....	176 00	.....	226 00	.....	.....	.....	100 00
63 55	71 30	.....	146 40	60 20	161 83	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
161 00	.....	.....	230 24	28 80	250 00	.....	3 05	.....	.....
120 00	3 00	.....	120 00	.....	72 52	.....	.....	27 00	.....
145 00	25 00	.....	225 00	5 00	194 00	.....	15 40	5 00	.....
277 00	.....	215 00	220 00	10 00	130 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
175 00	15 90	.....	120 00	20 00	109 42	.....	.....	.....	.....
150 00	50 00	.....	120 00	2 00	128 20	.....	1 00	.....	.....
65 00	50 00	.....	100 00	.....	132 00	.....	6 00	6 00	6 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	201 49	.....	.....	.....	.....
122 39	80 00	.....	141 35	12 00	139 33	.....	.....	.....	25 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
40 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	205 11	.....	.....	.....	.....
250 00	238 00	.....	142 12	15 00	140 39	.....	.....	.....	.....
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75 00	.....	.....	31 52	.....	85 00	.....	.....	71 12	.....
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135 00	40 00	7000 00	358 21	24 50	265 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	115 00	.....	88 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
590 10	.....	.....	138 70	.....	169 42	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
304 79	.....	.....	230 00	.....	154 25	.....	.....	.....	.....
50 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
47 00	.....	.....	85 00	.....	47 99	.....	.....	.....	.....
75 00	.....	.....	.....	5 25	46 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
240 00	40 00	.....	181 71	50 00	280 00	.....	7 32	6 12	.....
50 00	45 00	.....	50 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
150 00	1105 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
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$ 6629 82	$ 11583 76	$ 20796 55	$ 5047 52	405 93	$ 6033 30	115 00	$39 92	122 39	153 00

FIELD OF LABOR	Special Bonebrake Seminary	Y. P. S. C. E. Offerings (not for Budget)	Jr. & Int. C. E. Offerings (not for Budget)	Brotherhood (not for Budget)	Children's Day (not for Budget)	Special S. S. Work.	W. M. A. Contributions	Otterbein Guild Contributions	Homes and Orphanages
Avena									
Blue Mound									
Broadlands		5 00							
Birds									4 00
Beecher City Circuit									6 86
Bluford									14 00
Charleston						1 50	32 89		
Chesterville						21 02		23 15	
Casey Station							60 00		
Casey Circuit									
Clarksburg									
Danville Station		12 00	7 50				43 60	30 00	
Danville Circuit			29 00				35 70		5 00
East St. Louis			5 00						115 00
Fisher									
Flora Station						3 00			2 21
Flora Circuit		43 55							
Findlay									
Galton									
Johnstown					5 00				
Loogootee						6 00			30 00
Locust Grove		10 00				2 50	56 30	30 00	
Lawrenceville							56 00	63 00	25 00
Mt. Vernon									
Marshall Station		5 00	2 50				25 00	4 00	
Marshall Circuit	5 60						38 87		5 00
New Hebron			40 00						
Oakwood						6 00		11 25	
Oak Grove									
Olney Station		28 00	30 00	6 00		5 00	53 10		10 00
Olney Circuit									5 00
Oblong		20 00							
Otterbein					5 00				
Pesotum									
Potomac									125 00
Penfield		6 00				3 00			
Paris									
Parkersburg									5 00
Prairie Chapel									
Redmon									9 61
Rossville									
Robinson									
Rose Hill		6 50				4 25			
Shiloh									
Sumner	25 00	35 00	10 00						115 00
St. Francisville Station		15 00	12 50			5 00	42 00	19 26	
St. Francisville Circuit									
Toledo									
Vermilion Circuit				2 00					42 00
Vergennes									42 00
White Heath									
Wood River									
Westfield Station		35 00	5 00	10 00	6 00		300 00	25 00	
Westfield Circuit									
Yale									
Hamletsburg									
Totals	$30 60	221 05	141 50	$18 00	$16 00	$57 27	743 46	205 66	518 68

For Temperance Cause	Evangelistic Work	Bible Cause	East St. Louis	Mt. Vernon	Total for all Purposes	Church Houses	Built this Year	Value	Debt	Net Value
$.....	$.....	$.....	$29 00	$ 6 00	$ 764 15	4	....	$ 3475	$.....	$ 3475 00
19 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	767 60	2	....	2700	.....	2700 00
28 95	36 06	.....	.....	.....	1260 78	2	....	2400	.....	2400 00
54 83	174 71	.....	.....	.....	1455 37	5	....	5500	.....	5500 00
.....	160 00	.....	.....	.....	1138 66	3	....	2800	.....	2800 00
.....	82 24	.....	.....	.....	1727 30	5	....	6000	.....	6000 00
9 00	53 10	.....	.....	.....	948 77	1	....	1258	358 00	900 00
15 65	.....	.....	.....	.....	1238 43	1	....	1760	.....	1760 00
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FIELD OF LABOR	Parsonage	Value	Debt	Net Value	Months Employed	Conference Minutes Wanted	For Church Debts	Parsonage Debts
Avena	1	$ 800 00	$	$ 800 00	12	25	$	$
Blue Mound					12	20		
Broadlands	1	750 00		750 00	12	40		
Birds	1	1200 00		1200 00	9	50		
Beecher City Circuit	1	400 00		400 00	12	40		
Bluford	1	1500 00		1500 00	12	50		
Charleston					12	30		
Chesterville	1	1825 00		1825 00	12	30		
Casey Station	1	2500 00		2500 00	12	40		
Casey Circuit					7½	15		
Clarksburg	1	1500 00		1500 00	9	20		
Danville Station	1	1500 00		1500 00	12	25		
Danville Circuit					10½	50	525 00	
East St. Louis	1	2500 00	715 00	1785 00	12	30		
Fisher	1	1000 00		1000 00	12	30		
Flora Station	1	1600 00	400 00	1200 00	12	40		
Flora Circuit	1	1300 00		1300 00	12	50		
Findlay	1	1200 00		1200 00		40		
Galton	1	1000 00		1000 00	12	20		
Johnstown					12	20		
Loogootee	1	1200 00		1200 00	12	30		
Locust Grove	1	1600 00		1600 00	12	30		
Lawrenceville	1	2500 00	900 00	1600 00	12	40	350 00	100 00
Mt. Vernon					12	20		
Marshall Station	1	3000 00	234 95	2765 05	12	25		83 05
Marshall Circuit					12	40		
New Hebron	1	1000 00		1000 00	12	75		
Oakwood	1	900 00		900 00	12	40		
Oak Grove								
Olney Station	1	3500 00		3500 00	12	40	340 00	300 00
Olney Circuit	1	450 00		450 00	12	40		
Oblong	1	1150 00		1150 00	12	40		
Otterbein					12	80		
Pesotum	1	1000 00		1000 00	12	25		
Potomac	1	1300 00		1300 00	12	30		
Penfield					12	20		
Paris	1	1800 00	145 00	1655 00		50		
Parkersburg	1	1000 00		1000 00	12	50		
Prairie Chapel								
Redmon	1	1200 00		1200 00	12	30	240 00	
Rossville	1	1600 00		1600 00	12	50		
Robinson	1	3000 00		3000 00	7	20		
Rose Hill					12	20		
Shiloh								
Sumner	1	1700 00		1700 00	12	75		
St. Francisville Station	1	600 00	450 00	150 00	10	25		
St. Francisville Circuit	1	1500 00		1500 00	12	40		
Toledo	1	850 00		850 00	12	30		
Vermilion Circuit	1	1300 00		1300 00	12	25		
Vergennes	1	600 00		600 00		40		
White Heath	1	1500 00		1500 00	12	20		
Wood River					8	20		
Westfield Station	1	1500 00		1500 00	12	50		
Westfield Circuit								
Yale	1	800 00		800 00	12	45		
Hamletsburg								
Totals	40	$ 57125 00	$2844 95	$ 54280 00	560	1280	$ 1455 00	483 05

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS

Organized churches, 141.

Itinerants, 75; local preachers, 6. Total, 81.

Members at beginning of year, 11,359; end of year, 11,760; gain, 401.

Christian Endeavor Societies, 61; members, 2,366; Junior C. E. Societies, 23; members, 745.

Sunday schools, 127; enrollment, 12,594; teachers and officers, 1,389; loss in enrollment, 681.

Telescopes taken, 1,101; loss, 11; Watchwords taken, 1,403; loss, 204; Woman's Evangels taken, 249; loss, 114.

Church Houses, 138; value, $321,293.

Parsonages, 40; value, $57,125.

Finances—Pastors' salaries, $31,943.58; Conference Superintendents salary, $1,463.39; local current expenses, $6,629.82; local church and parsonage repair, $11,583.76; for new churches, $20,796.55; for new parsonages, ————; for local Sunday-school purposes, $5,047.52; for local C. E. expenses, $405.93; benevolence budget, $6,033.30; conference church extension, $115; special foreign missions, $39.92; special home missions, $122.39; special church erection, $153; special Bonebrake Seminary $30.60; C. E. offerings (not for budget), $221.05; Junior and Intermediate C. E. offerings (not for budget), $141.50; Brotherhood (not for budget), $18.00; Children's Day (not for budget), $16.00; special Sunday-school work, $57.27; W. M. A. contributions, $743.46; Otterbein Guild contributions, $205.66; homes and orphanages, $518.68; for temperance cause, $517.53; evangelistic work, $1,529.05; Bible cause, $1.00; miscellaneous, E. St. Louis, $207; Mt. Vernon, $118; total for all purposes, $90,037.19.

NOTES

The examination of licentiates occurred on Monday and Tuesday, August 16 and 17, 1915.

The Seminary Extension Movement program began on Tuesday evening, and continued at various times during the Conference.

Bishop A. T. Howard addressed the Conference Thursday night and Friday morning.

Dr. C. W. Brewbaker, General Secretary of the Sunday-School and Brotherhood Work, gave an address, on Sunday evening, on "The Three E's of Sunday-School Work." Dr. W. R. Funk gave a stereopticon lecture on Friday night on "The Publishing Interests and the Otterbein Home." The Christian Endeavor Rally was held on Saturday night. The W. M. A. Rally was held on Saturday afternoon, and the Otterbein Guild Rally on Sunday afternoon.

The general officers of the Church present were: Dr. J. S. Kendall, Secretary of Christian Stewardship; Bishop A. T. Howard, Foreign Bishop; Dr. W. R. Funk, Publishing House Agent; and Dr. C. W. Brewbaker, General Secretary of Sunday-School and Brotherhood Work.

Introduced to the Conference were: Rev. C. B. Moss, pastor of Evangelical Church; Rev. William Carson, retired M. E. minister; Rev. A. R. Brown, pastor of Presbyterian church; Rev. Geo. Enyeart, of the Oklahoma M. P. Conference; Rev. F. C. Aungst, Rev. C. A. Curtis, Rev. W. O. Stonebraker, Rev. W. H. Poole, Conference Superintendent of M. E. Church, Rev. A. Darnall, fraternal delegate of M. P. Church, Rev. R. J. Ellis, of Christian Church, Rev. G. A. Seed, a retired M. E. Minister, Mrs. H. H. Fout. Mrs. W. R. Funk. Rev. W. H. Whitlock, pastor of M. E. church, Rev. F. G. Bell, of Christian church, Rev. H. S. Early, a lecturer.

Admitted to Advisory Seats: Bishop A. T. Howard, Dr. W. R. Funk, Dr. J. S. Kendall, Dr. C. W. Brewbaker, Dr. M. R. Drury, president of Leander Clark College, Dr. T. D. Crites, pastor Leander Clark College church, Dr. L. D. Bonebrake, of Indiana Central University, and Rev. Robert Griffin, of Presbyterian Church.

The following named absentees sent communications explaining their absence: F. H. King, W. O. Albert, D. C. Ade.

CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

(Official Record)

FIRST DAY, WEDNESDAY—MORNING SESSION.

The fifty-eighth session of Lower Wabash Conference convened in the United Brethren church at Olney, Illinois, Wednesday morning, August 18, 1915, beginning at 8:30, Bishop H. H. Fout presiding.

After an opening song, Bishop Fout read a part of the third chapter of Paul's letter to the Colossians. He asked that "Nearer, My God, to Thee" be sung, and that Brothers J. T. McCreery and J. C. Fowler lead in the opening prayers of the Conference, and after the prayers the old song, "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing," be sung.

In the Bishop's opening remarks, he spoke of the many encouraging features of this district and of his anxiety that this be the best session of this Conference ever held, and to this end he asked every member to pray much and to be present at and participate in every devotional service. He then gave an address upon the subject, "The Lordship of Jesus." The burden of his message was that in everything in our lives we make Christ Lord indeed and in truth—that Jesus Christ be absolute Lord.

The holy sacrament of the Lord's Supper was then administered, Brothers Connett, Norviel, Spyker, and Seneff assisting.

Then followed the roll call of the Conference members.

At the request of the Bishop, the Conference stood and sang one stanza of "In the Sweet Bye and Bye" and remained standing while the secretary called the roll of deceased members, the name of Brother J. F. Moore being added during the past year. After the roll call the chorus of the song was repeated softly.

By motion the program as printed was adopted with such changes as the Bishop deemed necessary.

By motion, the auditorium of the church was made to constitute the bar of the Conference.

The roll of the inactive members was again called and the following actions taken: the name of J. F. Moore was referred to the Committee on Memoirs; the names of I. J. Knapp, C. E. Hogue, J. T. Storey, and F. H. King were referred to the Committee on Conference Relations; Weaver K. Pierson and W. R. Seitzinger were admitted to the Itineracy.

A letter from Brother D. C. Ade was read by the secretary telling of his afflictions, and by motion the secretary was instructed to write him.

A letter was read by the secretary from Brother W. O. Albert telling of his wife's illness. A special prayer was offered by Rev. L. H. Cooley for Brother Albert and wife and Brother Ade.

A letter from Brother F. H. King was read by the secretary, in which he sent his report of the year's work, enclosed his report on second year's reading course and his paper on Christian stewardship, and asked for a transfer to Oklahoma Conference. By motion his report was accepted.

By motion, it was decided that Conference should adjourn at 11:30 a.m. each day.

A paper by Dr. D. R. Seneff, in the Seminary Extension program, on "Paul, the Penman," was read.

Adjournment. Benediction by Rev. W. R. Muncie.

FIRST DAY—WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

Devotion was led by Rev. L. E. Miller.

A few minutes were given to the Seminary Extension program, in which two papers were read.

The Bishop read the following changes in the Reading Course committees, occasioned by the absence of some of the members: R. B. Hall and I. S. McIver in the place of F. H. King and W. O. Albert, on the second year; L. E. Miller in the place of C. A. Dwyer, on the fourth year. He also read the following Organization Committee:

Devotion—J. B. Norviel, J. B. Connett, Cloyd C. Rose.

Candidates for Ministry—W. L. Duncan, L. H. Cooley, W. L. Perkins.

Conference Relations—T. D. Spyker, J. B. Connett, E. M. Pierson.

Elder's Orders—G. W. Bonebrake, W. R. Shuey, J. C. Fowler.
Memoirs—D. R. Seneff, I. S. McIver, J. E. Seibert.
Auditing Accounts—H. M. Tipsword, B. N. Sypolt, Wm. Quigley.
Nominations—W. R. Muncie, J. T. McCreery, W. R. Seitzinger.

The Conference Superintendent's report was then given as follows:

Bishop H. H. Fout, D.D., and members of the Conference:

Another year, with its burdens, toils, sorrows, and joys, is now behind us and has become history.

Just how much good may have been accomplished this year can never be known this side of heaven's sure revelations, but I trust that some little good and credit for all may be found in our Heavenly Father's book of remembrance in glory.

This conference is composed of fifty-four charges, seventeen stations, and thirty-seven circuits. Nine of these charges are supported in part by Conference help and two by help from the General Board of Home Missions, acting in conjunction with the home board. We should plant the banner of the cross and United Brethrenism in several good towns in this Conference, but especially in Urbana and Champaign; but this is impossible without help from one or both of these boards.

At the last session of Annual Conference, a pastor was appointed to each charge, but for various reasons quite a number of pastors quit their jobs and the work has to some extent suffered.

W. W. Whitby resigned Woodriver after one Sunday at the place. Paul E. Blakney resigned Findlay after one Sunday's experience. W. W. Whitby was then appointed to Findlay and moved to it, serving very acceptably for about six months, then resigning the charge. I had trouble to find any one to fill out the year, as Findlay class would not accept a pastor. The services of William Merril, of Paris, were secured and he has served the Kirksville people (but not the Findlay) most acceptably and will bring report. It was very hard to secure a pastor for Woodriver, as the salary was small and there was no parsonage, and rent is very high. After repeated trials to induce a preacher to take Woodriver, and one preacher made a visit to the charge but turned immediately away without seeing the people or preaching a single time, then an add in the Telescope brought an offer from F. C. Aungst, a student in the Moody Bible School, Chicago, who was appointed and took charge of the work the first day of the year. Brother Aungst is a bright and consecrated young man and has served most acceptably until Conference.

Rev. C. A. Dwyer resigned Danville Circuit soon after Conference and Miss Sarah D. Bowman was appointed and served the

charge most efficiently for the balance of the year; she has had a good year and will bring a very creditable report to Conference.

W. L. Fear resigned Vergennes Circuit in the fall, and I did all I could to find a pastor for these people; five preachers were sent to them, but none of them contracted or stayed with the work. I held the last quarterly conference and planned for the revision and reorganization of classes, which, thanks to Brother William Quigley, by his faithful and untiring work has been done. William Quigley gave me a report of the reorganization and the number of members and I have made out and brought an annual report.

This charge is in good condition and will be ready and anxious to receive a pastor.

C. E. Hogue resigned Birds about the first of October. C. A. Curtis was then secured and filled out the remainder of the year faithfully; he will bring a good report to this Conference.

Casey Circuit was resigned by C. W. Perkins at close of first quarter. Rev. S. Garrison was appointed and served remainder of year.

O. J. Bogard resigned Robinson April 1; Rev. Broadstone served this charge one month. I could have secured a preacher for this charge, but the class voted not to receive a pastor until Conference. When the resignation was given, there had not been a dollar paid on benevolences, but by the planning of John E. Wesley and the splendid work of Margauret Fagan and a public offering taken by the Conference Superintendent, the benevolence will be about as good as last year.

The last week in June, G. W. Bobb resigned Clarksburg, W. O. Albert St. Francisville, and F. H. King Paris. In view of the shortness of time until Conference, each of these charges requested me not to send a pastor, but their reports will be here and will be fairly good.

These are all the resignations I have received during the entire year. All the other pastors, for some reason, held to their charges, and with few exceptions all who stood by their guns did good work and will have very good reports. By excessive resignations the Conference must suffer in the number of conversions and additions and in the benevolences; the charges thus resigned must usually suffer in many ways. It would be a great blessing to the cause of Christ if our preachers could see their way clear to hold to the charge until honorably discharged at Conference.

OUR RESOURCES.

The northern part of this conference is unsurpassed in all the world, in rich, black, and productive land, and has produced a splendid crop this year. The southern part of the State is not so rich in fertile soil, but has large and extensive coal fields and is

mining out thousands of tons per day, some of which is a very fine quality. The entire territory is good in agriculture and extra good in horticultural opportunities. The manufacturing interests have never been developed and are small but growing, and could and should be developed into a great and productive business, employing thousands of men bringing great prosperity and temporal blessings to the people. The oil industry is quite extensive and for eleven years money has been pouring out of the ground day and night, and our people have shared in this prosperity. This territory is capable of and should do much more for the Lord and the Church than it is doing.

ORGANIZATION.

There are 144 class organizations, 143 are in churches and one is in a schoolhouse; 51 of these churches are in towns and villages and 93 are in the country. Of the 54 charges in the Conference, only 39 have a parsonage for the pastor to live in.

We need several new parsonages and need them badly. Casey Circuit sold their parsonage during the year, but they had so little in it, that when sold, they had only $165.00 left in treasury. Some of our charges are very weak and need the addition of a near-by class. A few charges are too large for convenience and for best results; but unless something else can be added these charges cannot well be changed. We need a good evangelist to bring in some new organizations and revive some old ones that are languishing. This should be done as a matter of equity in support, increased service, and general advantage to the work.

NEW CHURCH PROPERTY

Union Church, on Sumner Circuit, was dedicated the last Sunday in November, Bishop Fout officiating. This is the finest country church in the Conference, costing about ten thousand dollars, and is certainly a real gem of beauty. Casey church was dedicated May 23, by our good Bishop, who is certainly a past master in the art of money-raising; the $13,650.00 raised on this occasion shows the Bishop to be perfectly at home and par-excellent in such work. This church cost $25,000, and is the best in the Conference.

Sumner church was dedicated July 11, and again it looked sure that the Bishop must meet his Waterloo; but not so, the event was the most wonderful I have ever seen; the entire town was captured; business men, outsiders, and members of other churches came to the rescue and about eight thousand dollars were pledged before the house was formally given over to the Lord and the United Brethren Church. This is a splendid church, costing fourteen thousand dollars.

On July 18, the Bishop again won the hearts of his audience, by two splendid sermons, and raised the $2,900 necessary to cover all indebtedness, and the new church, 48 x 53 feet, was dedicated at Mt. Vernon. On Easter, Dr. Siddall conducted special service at Lawrenceville, raising about $1,200 to be used in paying debts and improving the basement. Dr. Siddall is a very unique character, having large faith, great zeal, much wit, and oceans of sunshine. His work and visit were appreciated. I was present at all of these special services and assisted in them the best I could.

It was my privilege to officiate at the following special services. In October the Centenary Church on Otterbein Circuit was dedicated and the small debt was secured and every dollar of debt has since been cancelled. Yale church has been remodeled and beautified at a cost of a thousand dollars; nearly six hundred dollars were secured at re-opening. Sumner Circuit has a newly remodeled and enlarged church now ready for dedication, the cost of which is about three thousand dollars.

Charleston is excavating preparatory to building a fourteen-thousand dollar church. Fisher has the frame up and the church will soon be enclosed; this will be a good church with full basement, and will cost seven thousand dollars. Beecher City has subscription covering nearly one-half the cost of a new church to be built there in the near future.

St. Francisville people are in the midst of a fine enterprise, in the building of a full basement under the entire church at a cost of two thousand dollars. This will make it a splendid and up-to-date church, with many great advantages for efficient work.

In May, Rev. J. E. Fout preached at St. Francisville, both morning and evening, and raised about twelve hundred dollars in good subscription, to start the work on basement, which is now in process of construction, and will be a full basement under the entire church. Doctor Fout's labor was much appreciated.

All the churches built and dedicated this year, including the one now ready for dedication and the twelve hundred dollars raised at Lawrenceville, represent an expenditure of $61,400.00. These figures do not include any of the work that is now in progress.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

There are, according to the records, 134 schools, a gain of three over last year. Nearly all schools have held their own in numbers and many have made substantial gains. It is impossible for me to give the figures exact, as a few reports were not in at time of this writing, but the gain in Sunday-school enrollment will not be less than eight hundred.

Our people are more and more seeing the need of better facilities, and to this end are building Sunday schools, churches, pre-

paring basements, and even curtaining off rooms in churches, for better class work.

The number of Sunday-school scholars converted this year has been large and most gratifying.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

The number of societies will be about the same as last year, a few have discontinued and a few new ones have been organized.

Perhaps in all cases where a society has discontinued, the reason was lack of leadership; where proper leadership can be secured, the society, almost invariably, succeeds.

The Endeavor society is represented by the best young men and women to be found in each community and the work being done is practical and lasting.

MINISTERIAL SUPPORT AND BENEVOLENCE.

The salary reported on chart may not be quite up to last year, but this is accounted for by the fact that one charge had no pastor and one had a pastor only six months, one seven, one eight, and three ten months. The pastors serving full time will receive a little more salary than last year, and if all pastors had served full time the chart would show a thousand dollars more than last year.

The benevolences will not be what they ought to be, nor what we had hoped; the number of resignations during the year has no doubt cut down the benevolences at least five hundred dollars. I did all I could to help and encourage pastors and to raise money on pastorless charges. On two charges where there was no pastor, I gave a full Sunday on each, in the last quarter, with the purpose of looking after the interests of the charge in general, but the benevolence in particular, but I was rained out entirely and defeated.

Some of our pastors never need any help to secure a full budget, but always come up with assessment full. Some pastors have promised me faithfully that they would carefully look after the benevolences, but wanted more time to get acquainted with the people before presenting the matter, hence putting off until the last quarter, then some of the people made excuses, that they must pay the pastor first, and the result was defeat.

A few pastors told me that they could not get the benevolences; they had tried and failed, they pressed me to make a public effort; I did so with fair results, securing in pledges from thirty-five to ninety per cent. of assessment. I have raised in this way for pastors and on charges where there was no pastor more than five hundred dollars. This has been a very hard year to raise money, much harder than last year, but in spite of money stringency, I think the amount of money raised will be as large or better than last year.

LITERATURE.

The Sunday-school literature of all kinds, the Woman's Evangel and the Watchword, will not suffer a decline in the amount taken, but should be slightly increased. The Telescope I think will suffer a slight decline in circulation. This is caused in part by money stringency and in part by the special effort of last year; but there is another cause that in part is responsible. The pastor is the only Telescope agent, and charges that have no pastor, or have one only part of the year, must suffer somewhat in the number of Telescopes taken.

CONVERSIONS AND ADDITIONS.

Last year there were 1,823 conversions, this year ——. Last year there were 1,495 added to the Church; this year 1,571. Our first attempt at a revival at Woodriver was a decided success. Evangelist J. F. Fowler, with the efficient help of the pastor, held an eighteen days' meeting, resulting in forty conversions and fifty-two additions to the church; this should add much strength and permanency to this young class. Arthur Beldon has had a good year at Oakwood, with ninety-eight conversions and fifty-six additions to the Church. B. N. Sypolt has had a marvelous year in church building, two churches dedicated and one ready to dedicate. These three churches represent a total cost of more than twenty-six thousand dollars. On this charge there have been seventy conversions and fifty additions to the Church. It has truly been a good year, all salary and benevolences are paid in full.

J. C. Fowler, as usual, is at the top in Telescopes, having seventy-four, the largest number in the Conference; he has had 102 conversions and sixty-five additions to the Church. All benevolences are paid in full. J. T. McCreery has had a good year; twelve hundred dollars paid on debt and in improving basement have made pastor and people happy.

W. R. Seitzinger has had a good year; benevolences good, conversions forty-nine, additions fifty-nine. Curtis Williams brings a good report from Oblong; conversions fifty, additions to the church fifty-nine. S. O. Stoltz has done a great work in completing the church at Mt. Vernon; this class is very weak in both numerical and financial strength, and Brother Stoltz has labored hard and well in securing funds throughout the Conference. He also had a good revival. E. M. Pierson, of East St. Louis, has labored most faithfully, but has had a big handicap to overcome in the fact that he had only a basement to worship in. He has done well in securing money in the Conference, considering conditions, and has added eighteen to the church. H. S. Reese heads the list in the number of conversions, having 176 and 124 additions. The people served notice on me to return Reese as their pastor next year.

They are not willing to give up that smile of sunshine Harry always carries with him.

W. L. Perkins, of Casey, has labored faithfully and hard throughout the year, with good success, having fifty conversions and fifty-one additions to the Church. Everett E. Johnson has had a good year at Charleston, all finances as per assessment are full, a new church started, and more than fifty converted and brought into the church. T. H. Decker has promulgated a church building enterprise in Fisher which was badly needed. He has had fifty-five conversions and about as many additions. Sarah D. Bowman, on Danville Circuit, and J. E. Spencer, on Loogootee Circuit, have each had good success, reporting more than fifty conversions and about as many additions. Every other pastor in the Conference (except one) deserves special mention and praise, for they have labored faithfully and well and their lives are clean. Much as I would like to mention by name and personally commend them, I must not take time and space to do so.

PERSONAL.

I have been on every field and preached for every pastor except one. There is not a church house in the entire Conference that I have not preached in. I have confined my work this year more to the country churches and needy charges. I assisted Rev. Pierson twelve days in East St. Louis, preaching nightly and doing some little money soliciting by day.

I assisted Rev. Stoltz for eight days in his revival, preaching nightly for him and three times on Sunday. I also assisted him a few days in his money canvass preceding the dedication. I assisted Rev. Perkins in Casey for six days in his dedication subscription. I have laid the corner stones of two churches, dedicated two, and attended every special service this year. I have traveled eight thousand miles by rail, five hundred by buggy, and five hundred and fifty by automobile, making a total of 9,050 miles. Traveling expense for railroad, buggy, and auto hire, restaurant and hotel bills, $310.60.

I have preached 174 times during the year. Fourteen persons have been licensed to preach the gospel. Eight were given lay and six quarterly conference license. Two were women and twelve men. The reason of so many lay licenses, was because the applicants were below the educational standard in the Discipline.

I would recommend for sale, the following abandoned church houses: Huss Chapel in Champaign County; Ballou No. 9; Fairview in Johnson County; Woodbury and Union, in Cumberland County. These are all without boards of trustees and are hopeless.

I have not spared myself in any way, but have labored with all my might to be of some help to my co-workers, both ministerial

and lay. I have been out in the field more and the labor has been more taxing than last year. But the loving Father has blessed me with health and I have missed but one appointment.

The Master's cause has been very near my heart, and I have tried to do the very best I could for him. I have tried to get in close touch with the pastors with whom I have labored, that I might help bear their burdens and share their joys. May God bless these faithful and earnest preachers, as they so richly deserve. The ministry and laity have been most kind and good to me, they have opened their doors and shown the finest and freest hospitality; but, what has been better than all, their fellowship has been most sweet and precious, they have given free and willing transportation to me at all times wherever at all possible and I am under a debt of lasting gratitude to them for all this kindness.

I am sure my labors have been at best but poor, and I have made mistakes and come short of my ideals. I am profoundly thankful to my Heavenly Father for his blessings, love, and goodness to me during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

J. B. NORVIEL,

Superintendent.

By motion, the report and the official and moral character of the Superintendent was passed.

Revs. Aungst, Curtis, and Stonebraker, who had been employed in the Conference during the year, were introduced to the Conference.

Pastors' reports were reviewed.

The report of the Committee on the Second Year's Reading Course was read and approved as follows:

REPORT OF SECOND YEAR'S READING COURSE.

We, your Committee on Second Year's Reading Course, would submit the following report:

The class consists of G. W. Padrick, I. J. Knapp, R. L. Webber, and J. T. Story.

G. W. Padrick appeared before the committee and passed on the following books: The Preacher, I. and II. Timothy and Titus, 72 per cent. Galatians, 70 per cent. U. B. Church History, 70 per cent. Fundamentals of Child Study, 75 per cent. The Christian View of the Old Testament, 80 per cent. He having completed the second year's course, we recommend that he be passed to the third year.

R. L. Webber and J. T. Story not having appeared before the committee, we recommend that they be retained in the second year's course. See page 51 for supplemental report.

O. J. Bogard,
R. B. Hall,
I. S. McIver,
Committee.

By motion, the chairman of each committee on reading courses was instructed to notify each delinquent member of their class of the time limit.

The report of the Fourth Year's Reading Course Committee was read and approved as follows:

REPORT OF FOURTH YEAR'S READING COURSE.

We, your Committee on Fourth Year's Reading Course, would submit the following report:

The class consists of W. L. Blackwell, H. S. Reese, B. N. Sypolt, and B. F. Dotson.

They were granted the following grades:

W. L. Blackwell: Ethics, 85 per cent.; Apologetics, 90 per cent.; The Building of a Church, 90 per cent.; Christian Nurture, 85 per cent.; System of Christian Doctrine, 95 per cent.; Jesus and the Gospels, 95 per cent.; Sermon, 90 per cent.

H. S. Reese: Ethics, 85 per cent.; Apologetics, 80 per cent.; The Building of a Church, 90 per cent.; Christian Nurture, 80 per cent.; System of Christian Doctrine, 90 per cent.; Jesus and the Gospels, 85 per cent.; Sermon, 80 per cent.

B. N. Sypolt: Ethics, 87 per cent.; Apologetics, 90 per cent.; The Building of a Church, 95 per cent.; Christian Nurture, 95 per cent.; System of Christian Doctrine, 95 per cent.; Jesus and the Gospels, 95 per cent.; Sermon, 90 per cent.

B. F. Dotson, Ethics, 90 per cent.; Apologetics, 91 per cent.; The Building of a Church, 90 per cent.; Christian Nurture, 90 per cent.; System of Christian Doctrine, 90 per cent.; Jesus and the Gospels, 95 per cent.; Sermon, 90 per cent.

They having passed, we therefore recommend that they be referred to the Committee on Elders' Orders.

D. C. Ade,
L. H. Cooley,
L. E. Miller,
Committee.

The minutes of the day's proceedings were read and approved.

Adjournment. Benediction by Rev. H. D. Hudson.

SECOND DAY—THURSDAY MORNING.

Devotion was conducted by Rev. Miss Elizabeth Thomson.

In the Bishop's address of the morning he emphasized the place and work of the Sunday-school teacher as an assistant pastor, placing special emphasis upon the pastoral work as well as the teaching service.

Following this address, at the Bishop's suggestion, the Conference sang "For You I Am Praying" and the Conference on bended knee engaged in special prayer for Mrs. J. B. Connett, Rev. T. D. Spyker and Rev. J. T. McCreery leading, it having been arranged that at 9:30 Mrs. Connett and the Conference would be in prayer.

By motion, the name of Mrs. Emma E. Phelps was referred to the Committee on Memoirs.

By motion, Rev. W. L. Perkins was made the Conference chorister.

Father S. Mills, of Westfield, was able to be present and was presented to the Conference and was given the Chautauqua Salute. By motion he was elected chairman of the Conference to assist the Bishop and was granted a place on the platform.

The following letter of greetings from the president of the South Illinois Methodist Protestant Conference, was read by the Bishop:

Newton, Ill., August 5, 1915.

To the United Brethren in Christ, assembled in their Annual Conference at Olney, Illinois:

Greetings, in Jesus' name.

Another year has passed into history with all its sorrows and joys. The past year has been one of much sorrow and bloodshed. Our sister nations are deluged in blood and the gods of war are devastating their homes, making widows and orphans, murdering their young men, and causing untold suffering to women and children. So far our nation has, through the guidance of Providence, remained neutral. May our executive officers continue to be governed by the Prince of peace.

I praise God that the church is a unit for peace; while the world is bringing suffering to humanity, the church is doing all it can to bring comfort to fellowmen.

Rev. A. Darnall, the bearer of this message, will bring to you greetings of love from South Illinois Conference Methodist Protestant Church.

B. S. BILLINGS,
President of the South
Ill. Annual Conf.

Rev. Darnall spoke a few words of friendly greeting.

By motion, the message and words of greeting were received in brotherly love.

By motion, it was decided to send a representative to attend the Methodist Protestant Conference to meet at Pinkstaff, Illinois, beginning September 1.

By motion, Rev. J. T. McCreery was chosen to be this representative to bear greetings from this Conference.

Pastors' reports were reviewed.

By motion, Rev. G. L. Good, Rev. George Enyeart, and Rev. Newman were referred to the Committee on Conference Relations.

The report of the Committee on First Year's Reading Course was read and approved as follows:

REPORT OF FIRST YEAR'S READING COURSE.

We, your Committee on First Year's Reading Course, submit the following:

The class consists of W. R. Seitzinger, Elias A. Kauble, Weaver K. Pierson, B. C. Peters, C. N. Gladwell, W. L. Fear, Mrs. W. L. Fear, and C. W. Perkins.

W. R. Seitzinger, Weaver K. Pierson, and Elias A. Kauble appeared before the Committee and made the following grades:

W. R. Seitzinger: United Brethren Church History, 91 per cent.; Future Leadership of the Church, 87 per cent.

Weaver K. Pierson, United Brethren Church History, 82 per cent.; making of a Sermon, 85 per cent.; Principles of Education, 92 per cent.; Extemporaneous Oratory, 90 per cent.; Future Leadership of the Church, 86 per cent.; Teaching of Christ, 94 per cent.; Written Sermon, 90 per cent.

Elias A. Kauble: United Brethren Church History, 89 per cent.; Making of a Sermon, 72 per cent.; Future Leadership of the Church, 70 per cent.; Written Sermon, 85 per cent.

Weaver K. Pierson having completed the course, we recommend that he be passed to the second year. That W. R. Seitzinger and Elias A. Kauble be continued in the course.

That B. C. Peters, being in college, be continued in the course.

That W. L. Fear and wife, and C. W. Perkins be continued in the course with the understanding that they complete the course next year or be referred back to their quarterly conference.

That C. N. Gladwell be referred to his quarterly conference.

G. W. BONEBRAKE,
J. C. FOWLER,
J. T. MCCREERY,
Committee.

Twenty minutes were given to the Seminary Extension Program.

By motion, the secretary was instructed to thank Dr. Funkhouser for planning the Seminary Extension Program and say that we are ready for the third year's study and would like to know what the fourth year's course is.

Adjournment. Benediction by Rev. W. H. Whitlock, pastor of the M. E. church.

SECOND DAY—THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

Devotion was conducted by Rev. Weaver K. Pierson.

Twenty minutes were given to the Seminary Extension Program.

At the suggestion of the Bishop, Rev. Perkins sang "God Will Take Care of You," the Conference joining in the chorus.

The report of the Committee on Third Year's Reading Course was read and approved as follows:

REPORT OF THIRD YEAR'S READING COURSE.

We, your Committee on Third Year's Reading Course, would submit the following:

The class consists of J. E. Spencer, B. F. Dotson, J. E. Sibert, Sarah D. Bowman, and J. C. Robinette.

J. E. Spencer and B. F. Dotson passed on each of the required books of the course, making the following grades:

J. E. Spencer: Pastor Preacher, 95 per cent; Exegesis, 96 per cent.; Church History, 89 per cent.; Psychology, 87 per cent.; Christian Doctrine, 81 per cent.; Reasonable Biblical Criticism, 90 per cent.

B. F. Dotson: Pastor Preacher, 86 per cent.; Exegesis, 87 per cent.; Church History, 92 per cent.; Psychology, 90 per cent.; Christian Doctrine, 95 per cent.; Reasonable Biblical Criticism, 99 per cent.

Each presented a written sermon. We recommend that they be passed to the fourth year's course.

J. E. Sibert and Sarah D. Bowman met the committee and gave reasonable excuses for not being prepared for examination and requested to be continued for another year, promising to bring up their reading within the year. We recommend that their request be granted.

J. C. Robinette did not report to the committee. We recommend that he be referred to the Conference.

W. R. Muncie,
D. R. Seneff,
J. B. Connett,
Committee.

The report of the Committee on Candidates for the Ministry was read and adopted as follows:

REPORT ON CANDIDATES FOR THE MINISTRY.

We, your Committee on Candidates for the Ministry, had come before us W. O. Stonebraker, Captain of the Salvation Army, who comes asking for admission to our Conference.

Having carefully consulted with him and those whom he assisted the past winter in evangelistic work, we recommend that Brother Stonebraker be received into our Conference subject to receiving his credentials from the Salvation Army and that he be classed in the First Year's Reading Course.

W. L. Duncan,
L. H. Cooley,
L. E. Miller,
Committee.

The report on Christian Stewardship was read and approved as follows.

Pending approval, Dr. J. S. Kendall, Secretary of Christian Stewardship, addressed the Conference.

CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP.

"For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." No greater statement was ever made. The Psalmist said: "Delight thyself in the Lord, and He shall give thee the desires of thine heart." It is a well-known fact that we only succeed in that which we take great delight in. The drone in books, manual labor, sports or any line, never succeeds, for he has no delight in his work. Now, the facts are apparent that, as followers of Jesus Christ, if our delights are in the Lord. our time and our money flow out in channels where it brings blessings. There is no longer reason for presenting argument for tithing; it is one of God's laws from the beginning, not a Jewish custom, for 't is found hundreds of years

before Abraham was called out of Ur; neither is it an Old Testament law, for Jesus, in commenting on the mint and rue and cummin, said, "This ye ought have done" and not have neglected the weightier matters of the law. There are many professing Christians whom God, in Malachi, third chapter, calls thieves and robbers. They must be, for he says "wherein have we robbed thee," and answered, "In tithes and offerings." He further says, "Even this whole nation has robbed me." How sad that even the professed followers of the Gallilean should rob him of what is his own! The Word teaches that "the tithe *is* the Lord's." About the hardest thing is to be square with God. We can pay our earthly debts, but how few remember God with the tithe, the increase. Men will sacrifice almost anything before money. God said, "Bring all the tithe into the storehouse and prove me now, saith the Lord of Hosts, if I will not pour you out a blessing that there will not be room enough to receive." Why pray longer for revivals? Why pray "Thy kingdom come," while we have the Lord's money in our pockets? Stop praying, go to the financial secretary and settle your account, and receive the blessing. If Lower Wabash will bring in all the tithe there will be more than $300,000 next year as a total for all purposes. Are the parishioners all to blame? No. There are yet some ministers who even declare this is not a New Testament teaching. God have mercy, "the blind leading the blind, and all fall into the ditch." Let us awake to this great privilege (not burden), and ministers, practice and preach it, teach it, encourage, exhort with all long-suffering. "For where our treasure is, there our heart will be also."

F. H. KING,

Committee.

The Ladies' Quartette of the local church sang beautifully.

The report on Education was read and approved as follows.

Pending approval, Dr. M. R. Drury, of Leander Clark College, and Dr. L. D. Bonebrake, of Indiana Central University, addressed the Conference.

EDUCATION.

It is recorded in Genesis 1:27 that God created man in his own image. No higher honor was ever conferred upon any creature by the Creator than this. To be like him is the crowning glory of man.

In a spiritual sense, man possesses this image. God is a spirit having intelligence, emotions, and will. Man is also a spiritual being with intelligence, emotions, and will. In God all these things are unlimited; in man they are limited.

Man was created to live in fellowship with God that his intellect might be enlightened, his emotions enkindled, and his will ener-

gized, thereby enabling him to better understand and love and choose the things that make for his own greatest good and God's highest honor.

The true source of all knowledge, love, and power is God, and it is through him that man is capable of the highest perfections of character and service. Though in God we have the source of all perfections, yet these perfections cannot be attained without our own self-effort. We are God's building but are largely built by the workmanship of our own hands. The human must work together with the divine in order to reach the more perfect image. We are co-workers together with God.

We are creatures of choice and may choose what kind of character we will build and what class of service we will render to God and the world. Opportunity lies before us. The path of wisdom, knowledge, and power may be entered to-day. The ripened harvest fields are calling for reapers. The harvest is great, but the laborers are few.

The call of our day is for efficient workmen. The sickle must be keen and the hand of the man skilled that heeds the call to service to-day. We offer no premiums to the ignorant and inefficient. Everywhere the word is, Prepare; get ready; be ready; tarry until—the same voice that said "Go ye into all the world and preach my gospel to every creature," also said, "Tarry ye until ye be endued with power." The same apostle that encouraged Timothy to preach the gospel also said "Study to show thyself approved of God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed."

The nation has raised a standard of efficiency. Those who would enter the profession of law or the practice of medicine or enter the school-room or the civil service must meet the requirements of the law before they are permitted to enter.

If it is the part of wisdom for the nation to demand efficiency of men before they are permitted to enter its service, and we believe it is, should not the church of Jesus Christ require the same of those who would enter the highest calling known among men? Why should not the children of light be as wise as the children of this world?

With almost six thousand years of history behind us, we should not be slow to learn that those who have spent time and effort in preparation have achieved the larger success. If we learn no other lesson from the present war across the sea, we may learn that the nation that made the largest preparation is achieving the greatest victories.

The church of Jesus Christ has long since learned that men should be thoroughly furnished unto all good works, and to meet this ever-growing need have dotted the world with its schools, colleges and universities like the stars on the firmament. Into this

glorious world task our own beloved denomination has heroically entered. We have come to realize that if we are to do our part in winning this world to Christ, we must have efficient leadership.

To meet this ever-increasing demand of our times, the Church is putting forth a most strenuous effort to give the very best opportunity to our own people to receive a Christian education. New buildings are being erected, old buildings improved, the departments of education strengthened and endowments enlarged in our colleges and seminary. This is an immense task and will require the united effort of our people to perfect it. If the membership of the church continues to demand this high standard of efficiency of its leaders, the church in turn should have the most loyal support of the people in this plan for the enlargement of our educational institutions. Our people in their beneficence should remember these schools. Their sons and daughters should be found in their halls. In these things ministers should be exemplary. Therefore, be it

Resolved, 1. That we will, in every way consistent, encourage the work of Christian education in our denomination; that we will recommend our own schools for our own young people, and encourage greater benevolence upon the part of our people.

2. That we express our appreciation of the good work done in Bonebrake Seminary the past year and that we pledge ourselves to give encouragement to the faculty and general manager in any movement looking forward to the betterment of the institution.

J. T. McCreery,
Committee.

The Ladies' Quartet again sang very beautifully.

The report on the Christian Home was read and approved as follows:

THE CHRISTIAN HOME.

The word "home" has been described as the holiest of words. The place "home" is a place of restfulness, a sanctuary, a place where love learns its lessons, where life is schooled into discipline and strength, where character is molded and around which clusters life's sweetest memories.

If we add the word "Christian," we must understand it as being controlled by the teaching, spirit, example, and presence of Christ and through the heads of which the power of Christ is exemplified and supplied.

Home, in its definite purpose, is the beginning of all forms of life, physical, mental, and social, as well as the proper place for the development of all these, and may we not say that the Christian home adds to its scope the spiritual life of the individual as

the river is formed by the outflow of many springs, so comes the community from the many homes. As the source in every case gives character to its product, so must the home give character to all forms of community life.

As Christianity is proven to be absolutely necessary as an element in community life, it follows that, in order to attain the highest efficiency, every home must be a Christian home.

The legitimate influence in any home, especially in a Christian home, must be asserted in two ways, namely, by restraint and by development.

Modern psychologists insist almost exclusively upon the positive, and yet it is plain that God's plan of development is full of "thou shalt nots." The restraints of a Christian home must begin early.

The tender, constant, firm, intelligent, conscientious, authoritative pressure of parental restraint upon baby life will very largely remove the necessity of the "buggy whip" cyclone in after years. Let us remember that the restraint must be Christian both as to kind and method. We may now notice the positive influence of the Christian home.

It must not be a restrainer only, but also a builder. A well-organized Christian home will have its influence in the development of a clean, free, physical life. It will also encourage the development of a pure mental and social life.

This phase of home life is especially necessary in the production and development of Christian character.

To produce such character there must be enforced Christian principles as well as Christian practice. Among these principles is our personal responsibility for the opportunities and possibilities of personal life and the personal accountability to God for the fulfillment of such possibilities as well as the personal dependence upon the Infinite.

Prayer is one of the chief elements in well-defined Christian practice. If so, one of the first lessons learned in such a home must be to pray. How many of us can think with joy that almost the first thing we remember was the enforcement of this lesson and the memory of it is among our present treasures?

Then there must be the example of prayer. No parent can impress the child with the importance of this practice who has not been often seen upon his knees.

The family altar is the chief fact in an efficient Christian home, and no parent has any right to wonder at the anti-Christian tendencies of his children who has not furnished them this means of grace. The exercise of faith in the divinity of the Bible is indispensable as is also a manifest faith in its Author.

In view of these facts we resolve

First, That we will increase our efforts to impress upon our people the importance of the Christian home to church, society, and nation.

Second, That we encourage, in and out of the pulpit, the establishment of the family altar in every home.

Third, That we will insist upon a belief in the inspiration and the sanctity of the house of God.

Fourth, That we will emphasize the importance of child piety as a means of escaping many of the results of skepticism.

Respectfully submitted,

T. D. SPYKER,

Committee.

The report of Committee on Memoirs was read and approved as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MEMOIRS.

There were referred to your Committee the names of Rev. J. F. Moore and Mrs. Emma E. Phelps, late wife of Rev. B. B. Phelps.

We recommend that Rev. T. D. Spyker speak in reference to Brother Moore, and Rev. G. W. Bonebrake in reference to Sister Phelps.

That the services be held Saturday at 2:30 p.m., as per Conference program. That Bishop Fout preside. That Brother Connett provide for the music.

Respectfully submitted,

D. R. SENEFF,
J. E. SIBERT,
J. S. MCIVER,

Committee.

The minutes of the day's proceedings were read and approved.

Adjournment. Benediction by Father Mills.

THIRD DAY—FRIDAY MORNING.

Devotion was conducted by Rev. B. B. Phelps.

An address was given by Bishop A. T. Howard on the subject of "Answers to Prayer—A Proof of the Lordship of Jesus."

By motion, it was decided that the ministers be supplied with the pads for report to the Conference Superintendent.

By motion, it was decided that Doctor Funk should order a sufficient number of pads to supply the pastors and that an order be drawn on the treasury for the amount.

By motion, Rev. H. A. Lehwald, Rev. H. E. Butler, and Rev. W. C. Harbert were referred to the Committee on Conference Relations, they having asked for transfers.

By motion, Rev. J. E. Rowe was referred to the Committee on Conference Relations, he seeking admission to this Conference.

Pastors' reports were reviewed.

A partial report of the Committee on Conference Relations was given declaring Rev. G. L. Good and Rev. J. E. Rowe members of the Conference, and was adopted by motion.

A partial report of the Boundary and Finance Committee, suggesting that the Conference constitute one district, was adopted by motion.

The election by ballot for the Conference Superintendent was held, which resulted in forty-seven out of seventy votes being cast for Rev. J. B. Norviel.

Rev. Norviel made a few remarks thanking the Conference for the confidence shown in him and pledging himself to best endeavor.

Prayer was offered by Bishop Howard for the Superintendent.

The report on Foreign Missions was read and adopted as follows:

Pending approval, Bishop Howard addressed the Conference.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The hour has come in which, if there ever was a moment that the great commission of our Lord was carried out, it is now.

This is the age of material prosperity, civil corruption, war, and indifference to the kingdom of God.

God never intended that his commission should be set aside for anything. Hence the church is not doing her whole duty until she tells the whole world the whole gospel.

The indifference of the age is on the increase. Many reasons are advanced; some say we are too wise; another we are too prosperous; still another, it is plain sin. If I should advance my theory, it would be, because of the disregard of the church in complying with her Lord's sayings, "Go ye into all the world and preach My gospel." The ignorance of the gospel is the cause of the falling away. The church's business is to change this condition.

We are conscious of the awful war of Europe and its effects on the missionary enterprise. It hedges the way on every side. The base of supply is crippled and the country abroad (that is, the heathen lands) are very much disturbed by this awful war.

Back of us, however, is the "Go!" of Jesus, so we must be up and doing:

1. By constantly instructing our home churches as to the need and opportunity abroad.
2. By leading them to a closer fellowship with God.
3. By asking them to give much time to intercessory prayer for the salvation of the whole world.
4. By letting them see the wonderful opportunity here for their liberality and a place to bestow their gifts. Let us seek first of all to secure a full budget and then enlist people of wealth to make large gifts to the inviting task of extending the blessings of the church to those needy nations among whom God has called us to work.

I know of no way better than to get the new book just from the press, "Six Decades of Missionary Enterprise" or "Rising Churches in Non-Christian Lands," the mission study book for this year, or "Points of Efficiency" by Mr. Doughty.

G. W. BONEBRAKE.

The report on Home Missions was read and approved as follows:

HOME MISSIONS.

When the angels announced to the shepherds the birth of Christ, they sang "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will to men," and in this they gave the divine and the human motive of his coming. It was obedience to the will of God, his Father, as well as the joy which was set before him, that was the controlling motive. It is this obedience to the divine will which has sent forth every missionary since that time.

Christ was a home missionary in the house of Lazarus; he was a city missionary when he taught in Samaria; he was a Sunday-school missionary when he opened up the Scriptures and set men to studying the Word of God; he was a children's missionary when he took them in his arms and blessed them; he was a missionary to the poor when he opened the eyes of the blind beggar; he was a missionary to the rich when he opened the spiritual eyes of Zaccheus.

We live in the greatest missionary field of the world. The approximate population of the United States is ninety million. Members of evangelical bodies number twenty million. Members of other than evangelical bodies, including Catholics, number twelve million. With no religious profession, including ten or twelve million children, fifty-eight million. In view of these facts can we maintain our claim that we are a Christian nation? Does a membership of twenty million in evangelical bodies entitle us to include the other seventy million and call ourselves a Christian nation? Does twenty-two per cent. of population on the rolls of evangelical religious bodies give us right to claim seventy-eight per cent. not on these?

We add one million each year to our population by immigration. These millions march from the steerage to our shores at the rate of about three thousand a day. The issue of sincerity and earnestness is thrust upon us by this problem of immigration. In view of these tremendous facts we can the more appreciate the value and importance of Dr. Francis E. Clark's statement that "the more I see of America and the world, the more convinced I am that the home missionary holds the key to the situation."

We need an exact duplication of foreign mission zeal expended on American soil. That spirit will beget a like consecration. There must be sowing and cultivating before there can be a harvest. Varied work and different workers, some without apparent results before others have a harvest time. The field is ours. Men all around us are looking to us for life and light.

Shall we rest content with past achievements in this crucial time? Shall not every one of us in every United Brethren Church in city, town, and hamlet be personally enlisted in the work of giving the gospel to the multitudes in America for whom Christ died? Let us be up and doing "while it is day; the night cometh when no man can work."

The Home Mission and Church Erection Manual just recently published sets forth a great program as well as reporting splendid progress during the past year, and calls upon all of us for heroic effort.

To this end let us pledge our prayers, our interest, our financial support, and our co-operation with Doctor Whitney and Doctor Siddall in their efforts to bring the gospel to every person in our home mission field.

EVERETT E. JOHNSON,
Committee.

Adjournment. Benediction by Dr. W. R. Funk.

THIRD DAY—FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

The Bishop had charge of the devotional period, Rev. W. R. Seitzinger leading in prayer.

The Beneficiary Aid Association held their meeting at this time.

A resolution concerning the Superintendency was read and adopted as follows:

WHEREAS, We deem undisciplinary and unwise the plan of holding quarterly conferences throughout the Conference on a given week, a plan last year imposed on our Conference Superintendent by vote of the Annual Conference; and

WHEREAS, We believe that quarterly visitations to many of our charges are desirable to reach the best results of Superintendence, therefore, be it

Resolved, That, while we do not presume to coerce our Superintendent in matters committed to him by Discipline, we respectfully request our Superintendent that, as far as practicable, he make separate appointments for the quarterly conferences, holding in person those most needing his services, others by supply, or by the pastors themselves.

Respectfully submitted,
D. R. SNEFF,
J. B. CONNETT.

Letters from Dr. G. A. Funkhouser, Dr. S. S. Hough, and Dr. Wm. E. Schell were read by the Secretary and were by motion received in love.

A letter giving the report of the Joint Commission on Education from Lower Wabash and Northern Illinois was read by the Secretary, and after some discussion decision on the matter was deferred for a time giving Bishop Fout and Bishop Howard time to discuss the matter.

The Bishop appointed Dr. Chas. Brewbaker temporary chairman.

Reports on Sunday schools, Christian Endeavor, and Church Erection were read and approved as follows.

Pending approval, Doctor Brewbaker addressed the Conference on the subject of Church Erection, Christian Endeavor, and Sunday-school and Brotherhood work.

REPORT ON SUNDAY-SCHOOL INTERESTS.

Secretary Brewbaker has defined the Sunday school as the "Bible religious education school of the Church." It is the one department of church activity that affords free religious education. To Robert Raikes is given the distinction of having organized the first Sunday school, in the pin factory district of Gloucester, England, July, 1780. In one hundred and thirty-five years, this movement has grown from this initial school to thousands of schools, numbering millions in all nations of the world, about sixteen millions in America alone.

Our own denomination has advanced from the first school organized at Corydon, Indiana, 1820, to three thousand four hundred and ninety-three schools, with a total enrollment of four hundred and sixteen thousand four hundred and nineteen. It will be seen that God has entrusted to us about one hundred thousand souls (most of them children) in excess of our church membership, to

be saved to Christ and homed in the church. What a challenge! Think of it—one hundred thousand already under our care for conversion and religious training! These may, with the proper effort, become members of the Church within the next five years.

In order to harvest this field three things are fundamental.

First, that Sunday-school effort be focused upon the salvation of the pupil. It should be the passion of superintendent and teachers that every member of the school be led to Christ. Prof. M. A. Honline puts it thus:

"What do I want that boy to become? Is he capable of becoming what I want him to be? How may I best help him to become what I want him to be and what he is capable of becoming?" First emphasis should be put upon the individual, not on the organization. Is it the school we are concerned about, or the pupils?

Second, provide such equipment and adopt such advanced methods as will secure the best and most far-reaching results. Our schools should, as far as possible, be provided with that form of modern architecture which affords separate class-rooms. This can not be done at once, but superintendents and teachers will do well to study the advantages of separate class-rooms so that when the new church is built it will be planned with the Sunday school in mind. Graded lessons should be used in every school. This calls for teacher-training classes, that future teachers may have knowledge of the whole Bible and be ready to teach any grade. Where space is afforded schools should be divided into adult and elementary divisions under separate leadership.

This affords the adaptation of the whole program to the age of the pupil. The psychology of teaching and the simple laws of pedagogy support this plan, the opinion of reactionaries notwithstanding.

Put the adults in one room under a superintendent that has a passion for men, the children in another room under a superintendent who has a passion for children, as far as possible; choose teachers according to the same rule, and mark the growing efficiency of the school.

I have never yet found that superintendent who was so magically versatile that he could adapt an hour's program alike to the man of forty and the boy of fourteen. Try as he will, before Sunday school adjourns the man will be planning a business deal and the boy coaching a football team. The Sunday school is not the place for either.

We must approach the man from the adult standpoint, and the child from the plane of a child. Any other method is as absurd as teaching the university senior Aesop's fables or the child to translate Homer.

The third fundamental I may state is a call to prayer. Our Sunday schools are sadly deficient in the number of consecrated workers. In this day of excessive drain on human energies, due to America's unprecedented commercial and social intoxication, it is difficult to find men and women who will give time, prayer, and presence to a Sunday-school class. When the Master saw "the harvest great and the laborers few," the twelve overwhelmed with the magnitude of the task and growing faint with the sense of loneliness, he said "PRAY." "Pray ye." Who? His trained workers. For what? Not crowds or crowns, but for men. Not for a large organization nor a popular hearing, but for "laborers."

Do we need more laborers? Jesus gave just one way to get them; pray them into the field. I have suggested the possible value of teacher-training classes; let me plead the positive necessity of praying-classes. How many schools are operating at half their possible efficiency because talented young men and women are unwilling to invest in a class of boys or girls? It is among the young married people that this dearth is most noticeable. The very class from which our strongest workers should come are so deafened by the hum of industrialism that they cannot hear the call to service. What an opportunity for a paying investment! There is no other investment equal to it. It pays dividends of immortal good to man and eternal glory to God.

Let us pray that that vast store of latent talent among men and women between 25 and 45 years of age may somehow be released for the kingdom. Could we conserve the strength of these more vigorous years to consecrated work in the church, the "boy problem" and a score of other problems would be solved.

Let me say further that we heartily appreciate the splendid efficiency of our Sunday-school staff at Dayton and pledge to them our co-operation in their plans for larger things.

That our goal for the Conference during the ensuing year be twenty new schools organized, fifteen hundred added to the enrollment, and one thousand added to the church from the Sunday school.

Respectfully submitted.

W. L. PERKINS,

Committee.

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR UNION.

The subject of Christian Endeavor is as broad as the Christian church, and is complex in its nature; but it is my thought to limit my remarks to the Young People's Christian Endeavor Union.

There are many factors in the making of a better church; but to my mind there is none more important than that of the young people's Endeavor society.

The first thing that might be said is, "It is the young blood in

circulation," without which there is social stagnation, spiritual depression, and unused power; hence, decay. It is truthfully said the Sunday school makes "impression" and the Endeavor society gives "expression." As a factor for constructive life, the young people are a *progressive force.* They believe in and put to practice up-to-date methods of church work, which does not only appeal to the young, but also catches the old, who might otherwise be reactionary. Note some of the expressions of timely characteristics: First, they are tasty in respect to good music; second, they are lively in their social functions, which is contagious in itself for good.

This is a day of great progress in every field—agriculture, invention, discovery, science, education, and religion; and one great reason for such strides of advancement in religion is because of the utility of the young life of the kingdom. Another delightful feature of the young is, they are persisting in their pursuits. In the pursuit of self-mastery, in the pursuit of social aggrandizement, in the effort to really serve others, the young are among if not in the lead of others of the church and community. Then, what shall we say about their personal sacrifice? Is it not true that ofttimes the young give their time, their talent, themselves and their all, for the promotion of the kingdom of our God?

Then, if their utilities are so great and their service so useful, is it not worth while to conserve such force, as that upon which shall depend the future church? Then let us, as parents and pastors, resolve to feed the lambs of the flock and gather therefrom the fleece for the church of our common Lord.

Efficiency is a crying need of our day, in business, in politics, in law practice, in school-teaching, in gospel-preaching; and the observing pastor sees its need among the people whom he serves. What is efficiency, this dire need? Some one said "It is the science of self-management"; another, "It is the power of doing one's most and best." Then, if the church is to fulfill her mission, she must have more efficient workers.

So, let us resolve together that we will do our best to get and hold to more efficient workers in our Conference, and in this way assist in gathering together the young of our Conference.

Respectfully submitted,

C. J. Bogard,

Committee.

CHURCH ERECTION.

A church home for God's flock is fully as necessary as a family home.

A man that would carelessly deprive his family of shelter would soon be wisely dealt with by proper authority. So the church organ-

ization that disregards proper shelter for the souls that God gives it is without any community sympathy or perhaps divine approval.

Our own denomination years ago recognized this truth in a very practical way. Hence the existence of the Church Erection department, well officered and prayerfully managed for the glory of God.

The faithful efforts of past secretaries of this department, and the if possible increasingly faithful efforts of the present Secretary, A. C. Siddall, are a sufficient warrant for every member of our Church to manifest far more interest in this great conserving department of our beloved Zion.

This department should be carefully scanned by every reader of the Telescope when information is given therein. We should deem it a privilege to read in the Telescope of the calls for money for this department. Then we should be sufficiently consecrated to give as God's Word teaches us, that there may be more church homes. The manifest listlessness of many members, and sometimes entire church communities, when a joint Church Erection and Home Mission program is being rendered, is sufficient cause for earnest pleading at a throne of grace for a reconsecration of many church members, so that the Church Erection department may do far more for God. Will the time ever come when many more of God's people in this country will acknowledge to God that he alone owns their material wealth, and then awaken to this teaching: not how much of my money will I give to God's cause, but how much of God's money am I keeping for myself?

In such a state of consecration there would be homes abundant for the shelter of souls that God entrusts to our care.

The unconsecrated wealth of the churches of this country is the greatest hindrance in all departments of God's kingdom, especially in the Church Erection department. However, we are pleased that this department has improved greatly in a financial way the past year over that of the previous year, the real cash income being nearly seven thousand dollars more than it was the previous year. The collections of the general fund were over three thousand dollars more than the previous year.

This encouraging report should inspire us to make it better next year. The department should have a net income of fifty thousand dollars annually. Should our denomination stop short of such a standard?

Respectfully,

L. H. Cooley.

There was additional discussion on the subject of the report of the Education Joint Commission, after which the report was, by motion, adopted as follows:

Springfield, Ill., August 17, 1915.

Bishop H. H. Fout, D.D.,
Olney, Illinois.

My Dear Bishop—The following is the action taken by the Joint Commission of the Lower Wabash and Northern Illinois Conferences, at Decatur, December 1, 1914.

After a lengthy informal discussion the following motion was unanimously adopted:

That it is the sense of this commission that it is unadvisable at this time to attempt to establish a school in Illinois, and that each Conference be left to its own judgment as to co-operating with any one of our schools. M. B. SPAYD, Secretary.

Those present were: Rev. J. B. Norviel, Rev. J. B. Connett, Rev. T. D. Spyker, Mr. C. C. Rose, from Lower Wabash; Revs. V. W. Overton, M. B. Spayd, I. W. Longenbaugh, and Dr. J. H. Reed, of Northern Illinois Conference. Dr. W. E. Schell, General Secretary of Education, was present and acted as chairman. The secretary was requested to report the proceedings to each Conference. Yours truly,

M. B. SPAYD.

By motion, it was decided that an Educational Commission of five members be elected to take charge of the entire matter and report to the next Annual Conference.

By motion, the commission was instructed to study our educational interests carefully as to our future co-operation with any other school by visiting such schools and reporting their findings and conclusions to the Board of Education and bring their recommendations to our next session.

Dr. M. R. Drury, Dr. T. D. Crites, and Dr. Chas. W. Brewbaker addressed the Conference regarding Leander Clark College.

The Bishop appointed a Committee composed of Rev. G. W. Bonebrake, Rev. L. H. Cooley, and Rev. W. L. Duncan to assign parts to each minister on the Seminary Extension Program for next year.

The report on Publishing Interests was read and approved as follows:

REPORT ON PUBLISHING INTERESTS.

Three things are necessary for the development of the characters of United Brethren: Spiritual growth, intellectual knowledge, and denominational loyalty.

To emphasize spiritual growth to the neglect of intellectual knowledge, is to encourage fanaticism; to emphasize intellectual knowledge to the neglect of spiritual growth is to encourage formalism; to emphasize both to the neglect of denominational loyalty, is to fail in making good United Brethren Christians; and to fail in this is to spell failure for our Church in doing her share in the evangelization of the world.

There is no department of the Church that so thoroughly and perfectly touches our people at these three vital points as the Publishing Department. The Publishing House is to the Church what the heart is to the body; it is the very center of our life as a denomination.

From the Publishing House there is flowing out a constant stream of life, touching every part of our denominational body, feeding the minds and hearts of our membership with the best intellectual and spiritual food and giving information relative to the progress of the Church in all her departments, inspiring the people to greater interest and more sincere loyalty. But if there should be communities, families, or individuals in the Church that this life-giving stream does not touch, there is corresponding intellectual, spiritual, and denominational paralysis; and where there is paralysis there is helplessness, decay, and ultimately death.

While we rejoice at the increasing circulation of our periodical literature, we must remember that the 24,700 Telescope subscriptions reach only one out of every thirteen of our members, leaving more than half of the families in the Church without the weekly visits of this inspiring paper.

The 46,000 Watchwords reach less than half of our Church families, leaving thousands of our young people without this most excellent paper at the very time in life when spirituality and denominational interest can the most easily be developed.

The 10,500 Woman's Evangels in circulation reach, on an average, only one family out of six.

The 458,339 pieces of Sunday-school literature sent out during the year, an increase of 13,629 pieces over last year, indicate the advancement in the circulation of our Sunday-school literature, a literature that is second to none.

We note with interest the books that come from our press, written by our own men, books that are timely, worthy, and that breathe the spirit of our denomination.

We are especially proud of the marvelous growth of the Publishing House in buildings, equipment, and in enlarged facilities for serving the Church.

Therefore, *Resolved*, That we will do our best to increase the circulation of our periodical literature, that we will buy the books written by our own men and encourage our people to do the same,

that we will patronize the House in all it has to sell and give it an opportunity to do our printing.

1. Because of the blessings that will come to the people in intellectual and spiritual life and in denominational loyalty; and because of the reflex blessing that will come to the world.

2. Because the House is ours and all the rentals from the Otterbein office building, when paid for above running expense, and all the accumulations from the business done in the manufacturing building above running expense, revert to the conferences of the Church to aid the aged and infirm ministers and their wives.

J. B. CONNETT,
Committee.

A parting message was given by Father Mills, as he expected to leave early the following morning. He is the only charter member of the Conference living in the Conference.

The minutes of the day's proceedings were read and approved.

Adjournment. Benediction by Rev. E. M. Pierson.

FOURTH DAY—SATURDAY MORNING.

Devotion was conducted by Rev. Miss Sarah D. Bowman.

The Bishop's address was a continuation of the subject of the conserving of our membership.

A supplemental report of the second year's reading course was read and adopted as follows:

R. L. Webber made the following grades on the books named: Exegetical Studies, 70 per cent.; Christian View of the Old Testament, 75 per cent.; Fundamentals of Child Study, 76 per cent.

He having completed the course, we recommend that he be passed to the third year's course.

J. T. Story was granted a transfer from the Conference.

O. J. BOGARD,
I. S. MCIVER,
R. B. HALL,
Committee.

The report of the Committee on Conference Relations was read and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE RELATIONS.

We, your Committee on Conference Relations, submit the following report:

C. E. Hogue and I. J. Knapp having irregularly withdrawn from the Church, we recommend that their names be erased from the Conference roll.

F. H. King, J. T. Story, H. A. Lehwald, W. C. Harbert, and H. E. Butler, each ask for open transfers; we recommend that their requests be granted.

G. L. Good asks to be received into the Conference by transfer from Northern Illinois Conference, and J. E. Rowe asks for membership subject to his transfer; we recommend that each be received.

Inasmuch as the action of the Conference a year ago relative to the reception of J. C. Robinette into the Conference, was based on a misunderstanding with reference to his relation to the Church from which he came, and inasmuch as he has not identified himself with the United Brethren Church, we find that he has no standing in the Conference.

T. D. SPYKER,
J. B. CONNETT,
L. H. COOLEY,
Committee.

The report of the Committee on Elders' Orders was read and approved as follows:

REPORT ON ELDERS' ORDERS.

We, your Committee on Elders' Orders, would submit the following report:

There appeared before us the following persons: Rev. B. N. Sypolt, Rev. B. F. Dotson, Rev. H. S. Reese, and Rev. W. L. Blackwell.

We find each of these brethren clear in doctrine and in harmony with the polity of the United Brethren Church.

We, therefore, recommend that they be ordained.

Respectfully submitted,
G. W. BONEBRAKE,
J. C. FOWLER,
W. R. SHUEY,
Committee.

The report of the Committee on Boundary and Finance was read and approved as follows:

REPORT OF BOUNDARY AND FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Your Committee on Boundary would make the following recommendations:

That the disposition of Sunny Side church be referred to the Olney Circuit Quarterly Conference.

That Kimmel appointment be detached from Otterbein Circuit and attached to Olney Circuit.

That Centenary and Grace appointments be detached from Marshall Circuit and attached to Marshall Station and constitute Marshall Circuit.

That Union, Friendship, Dolson, and Shiloh appointments constitute Martinsville Circuit.

That Prairie Chapel be placed under the supervision of Paris Station.

We further recommend that the Conference constitute one Superintendent's District.

We further recommend that

1. We cheerfully accept the apportionment made to our Conference by the General Finance Commission.

2. While we have found it expedient to reduce the apportionment on a few of the charges, we will nevertheless give ourselves prayerfully and devotedly to the service of reaching the Conference goal.

3. But little emphasis be placed upon the budget before the public congregations, but that we give added emphasis in a tactful and prayerful way to the tremendous fact of God's ownership and our stewardship.

We recommend the following general budget, Conference Superintendent's salary, and amount for Ministerial Aid Association:

	BUDGET	SUPT. SALARY	PR'CHERS' AID
Avena	$100	$24	$ 4.46
Blue Mound	125	28	5.60
Broadlands	150	35	5.78
Birds	200	32	3.50
Beecher City	160	24	5.00
Bluford	200	35	6.00
Charleston	100	16	2.50
Chesterville	150	24	6.25
Casey Station	200	35	12.00
Casey Circuit	200	36	5.37
Clarksburg	100	24	3.00
Danville Station	185	32	8.00
Danville Circuit	250	41	6.76
East St. Louis	25	12	2.00
Flora Station	110	20	5.00
Flora Circuit	225	36	8.00

Fisher	175	30	6.00
Findlay	125	28	3.00
Galton	110	24	6.00
Johnstown	100	24	3.30
Loogootee	150	32	5.00
Locust Grove	150	32	6.50
Lawrenceville	200	28	9.00
Marshall	150	28	7.00
Martinsville	150	30	7.00
Mt. Vernon	60	14	3.40
New Hebron	260	41	8.50
Oakwood	200	37	7.75
Olney Station	225	36	9.62
Olney Circuit	200	38	5.12
Oblong	194	30	8.25
Otterbein	150	32	5.30
Potomac	200	38	7.00
Penfield	150	30	4.00
Paris	200	32	8.20
Parkersburg	200	36	6.50
Pesotum	100	24	5.00
Rose Hill	100	26	3.10
Redmon	240	41	7.50
Rossville	175	38	8.00
Robinson	175	32	7.00
Sumner	265	41	10.00
St. Francisville Station	150	32	7.00
St. Francisville Circuit	200	32	7.00
Toledo	150	30	5.00
Vergennes	100	30	4.00
Vermilion	200	38	6.75
White Heath	100	20	4.20
Woodriver	75	20	2.50
Westfield Station	240	41	10.00
Westfield Circuit	150	30	4.00
Yale	200	36	5.00
Hamletsburg	25	25	

We recommend the following appropriations:

MISSIONARY APPROPRIATIONS.

Toledo	$ 250
Danville Station	100
Charleston	375
Lawrenceville	100
Flora	250

Mt. Vernon	500
East St. Louis	650
Woodriver	150
Total	$2,375

Respectfully submitted,
T. D. SPYKER,
Secretary Committee.

By motion, J. G. Breden was granted a transfer.

By motion, O. J. Bogard was granted a transfer.

By motion, B. B. Phelps was granted evangelistic relations.

The report of Evangelist J. Frank Fowler was read and approved as follows:

To the Members of Lower Wabash Conference, Greeting.

I have held nine revivals this year with the following results: Converts, 264; accessions, 241.

Eight of these revivals have been held in our own Conference for our Church. One revival was held for the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, two miles east of our home. I just closed this meeting the 17th, with ten days' meeting, resulting in 42 conversions and 42 accessions to the church, 40 uniting with that church and two going to the M. E. church. Closed with 17 coming forward and giving their hands for prayer, and the people begging me to continue the meeting; but I closed to get here for this session of Conference.

About nine months were spent in revival work this year. I had more work than I could do. Had Brother Tyler to fill some of my engagements that I could not fill.

The Lord certainly is good to me. I have not missed an appointment on account of sickness.

I preached 185 revival sermons, one funeral sermon, and assisted at one funeral; baptized twelve. I raised for the pastors where I held meetings, $56.00.

Respectfully submitted,
J. FRANK FOWLER.

Pastors' reports were reviewed.

The report of the Nominating Committee was given and the vote taken. The tellers appointed by the Bishop were: N. E. Royer, B. F. Dotson, and W. R. Seitzinger.

By motion, the trustees of the Church and Parsonage Building Association were made the Conference trustees also.

Adjournment. Benediction by Rev. B. F. Dotson.

FOURTH DAY—SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

The Bishop had charge of the devotional period.

By motion, the Conference was instructed to assemble for a photograph at the close of the afternoon session.

The report of the Conference Treasurer was given and adopted as follows:

Report to August 21, 1915.

Receipts.

Balance	$ 41.36
Received from pastors	6,198.28
Received from H. G. Taylor	6.00
Received from Samuel Jackson	2.00
Received from J. T. McCreery	175.00
Total	$6,422.64

Disbursements.

L. O. Miller, General Church Treasurer	$3,733.12
L. O. Miller, for Otterbein Home	87.05
Interest on Loans	157.88
Publishing House	162.10
Cabinet Expense	43.10
Mailing Pads	4.25
Paid to Pastors	1,975.00
Programs for Conference	4.65
L. E. Miller, Statistical Secretary	20.00
Everett E. Johnson, Recording Secretary	25.00
S. O. Stoltz, Treasurer	50.00
Total	$6,462.15
Balance	160.49
Total of Balance and Disbursements	$6,422.64

S. O. Stoltz, Treasurer.

The report of the Auditing Committee was read and approved as follows:

REPORT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE.

We have examined the accounts of S. O. Stoltz, Conference Treasurer, J. C. Fowler, Treasurer of the Church and Parsonage Building Association, and J. T. McCreery, Treasurer of the Beneficiary Aid Association of Lower Wabash Conference, and find the reports of all correct.

H. M. Tipsword,
Wm. Quigley,
Committee.

The report of the Treasurer of the Church and Parsonage Building Association was read and approved as follows:

REPORT OF TREASURER OF CHURCH AND PARSONAGE BUILDING ASSOCIATION.

Funds received since August 24, 1914	$1,062.18
Funds paid out since August 24, 1914	1,028.12
Balance in Treasury	$ 34.06
Assets secured by notes and mortgage:	
Mt. Vernon	$ 500.00
St. Louis Church	3,040.90
St. Louis Parsonage	200.00
Charleston Church	500.00
Due from Northern Illinois Conference	14.47
Total Assets	$4,255.37
Balance in Treasury	34.06
Grand Total in Assets	$4,289.43

J. C. FOWLER, *Treasurer.*

By motion, it was decided that, in harmony with the request of the Ministerial Aid Association, the pastors collect on their charges an amount equal to one per cent. of the salary paid last year and that the secretary of the Finance Commission arrange this column in connection with the budget and Conference Superintendent's salary.

The report on Temperance was read and approved as follows:

TEMPERANCE.

Temperance is the most popular subject in America to-day. A few years ago a man was considered a fool if he was in favor of abolishing the liquor traffic. It was believed to be an impossibility. To-day, it is believed an impossibility for it to exist much longer. That which has ruined homes, murdered born and unborn children, murdered wives, debauched and debased young manhood and young womanhood, that which has had a grip on the throat of our nation, choking the very breath out of it, that which is filling our asylums, penitentiaries and houses of ill-fame, is on trial for its life.

The time is here when clean manhood and pure womanhood will not stand idly by and see our people ruined and debauched, as they have been in the past, and not use all their powers to rescue them from the demon drink.

Shall we be satisfied when we believe that our people have been rescued? No! We will not be satisfied until the beast has been murdered. It has murdered its thousands, and all of the churches

in America are united in an effort to destroy it. The demon saloon must pay for what it has done with its own life.

Beyond question, alcohol is killing off as many Americans every day as all the wars in the world have killed in battle in twenty-three hundred years. Applied to the whole white race, alcohol is killing three million five hundred thousand white men every year—five times as many as have been killed in battle in twenty-three hundred years. It is ten thousand times more destructive than all wars combined. It is killing our people at the rate of nearly two thousand men every day in the year. This is not all the story. The cries and prayers of the wives and mothers of our nation that have stormed high heaven, were we to hear them, would cause us to understand the why of the great temperance wave that has been sweeping the nations of the earth. Hungry mothers and starving babies crying for bread, and the coffers of our so-called Christian nation crying for blood money.

The whole thought of license is not only absurd, but is abominably wicked. Even the queen of Madagascar rebuked the United States by replying to those who proposed that she should receive revenue from strong drink, "I cannot consent to take revenue from that which destroys the souls and bodies of my subjects."

Abraham Lincoln said, "The nation cannot exist half slave and half free." Louis Albert Banks said, "The nation cannot live half drunk and half sober." They tell me that in some of the insane asylums they utilize the mopping idea to find out whether patients that have been improving are sufficiently sane to be allowed to go home. They take them to a room with a bare floor, turn on the faucet, give them a mop, and tell them to mop it dry. If they have sense enough to be allowed to go home, they will turn off the faucet at once. If not, they will mop away until taken to their ward again.

Whenever the time comes that we are really sane, we will turn off the faucet of this infernal traffic. How silly it is for us to be mopping away with missions and orphan asylums and Keely cures, when we have within our reach and power the means which, if used, will turn off the whole tide of drunkenness, disease, and crime by abolishing the traffic itself.

Thank God, the nation is becoming more sane each day. We hail with gladness the power that has and will be given the women of our nation. Our wives, mothers, sisters, and daughters will not vote wrong. We are in debt to them now for what they have done for us. They have suffered more for us, because of the demon drink, than we will ever be called upon to suffer for them. They have a right to say whether the traffic shall remain or not.

Therefore, believing the liquor traffic to be the greatest organized evil in the world, be it

Resolved, That we, as a Church, will ever be ready to unite our efforts with any and all organizations whose ultimate end is the death of the rum traffic.

That we endorse the splendid work of the Anti-Saloon League of America.

That we, as a Church, absolutely refuse to give up the fight until every home in the whole wide world is free and safe from the influence of intemperance.

Respectfully submitted,

B. N. SYPOLT.

The report of the Committee on Seminary Extension Program assignments for next year was given and adopted as follows:

SEMINARY EXTENSION.

We, your Committee on Seminary Extension, to make assignments for the coming year, ask to submit the following report:

Central Theme, "Acts of the Apostles."

Author, Time, Purpose, Characteristics, Analysis— G. W. Ball.

The Prominent Religious Actors, their History and Service—L. H. Cooley.

The Prominent Civil Rulers, their History and Service—J. B. Connett.

The Chief Places Named, Locations, and What was Done in Each—T. H. Decker.

The Three Prayer Meetings, Occasions, Persons, Results—Curtis Williams.

Revivals in the New Testament and Old Testament Compared in Means and Results—W. L. Duncan.

Baptism of the Spirit, its Antecedents and Consequences—T. D. Spyker.

Distinguishing the Terms Baptism, Anointing, Filling, Sealing, Earnest, as applied to the Holy Spirit—J. T. McCreery.

The Money Question in Acts: How Dealt With—S. O. Stoltz.

Conversions in Acts—H. D. Hudson.

Sermons in Acts: The Occasion, Analysis, Results—J. E. Spencer.

Miracles in Acts—J. C. Fowler.

Church Organization: The Officers and their Duties—Miss Sarah D. Bowman.

The Women Named, their History and Services—Miss Elizabeth Thomson.

The Apostolic Church, Its Methods, Hindrances, and Successes—W. R. Muncie.

W. L. PERKINS,
G. W. BONEBRAKE.

By motion, the place of holding the next Conference was to be left to the decision of the Conference Superintendent and his Cabinet.

Dr. Drury addressed the Conference on the subject of Education.

Memorial services were held at 2:30. The services were held for Rev. J. F. Moore and Mrs. Emma E. Phelps, the Bishop presiding. The ladies' quartet of the local church sang beautifully. Rev. T. D. Spyker spoke of the life of Rev. J. F. Moore, and Rev. G. W. Bonebrake of the life of Mrs. Phelps.

The W. M. A. Rally was held at this time, Mrs. H. V. Anderson, president of the Lower Wabash Branch, presiding, Miss Elsie Hall, of Dayton, Ohio, making the principal address.

The report of the statistical secretary was given and adopted.

The report on resolutions was read and adopted as follows:

RESOLUTIONS.

The Lower Wabash Conference of the United Brethren in Christ recognizes that Christianity is now on trial, both at home and among the non-Christian people of the earth; that the present war is a most serious challenge to the Christian faith and to the supremacy of the Prince of peace.

Unless the church meets this challenge with courage and self-sacrifice and triumphs over all difficulties, she will lose her claims to moral and spiritual leadership among the nations of the earth.

In view of this grave crisis, its effect on Christian missions, and the embarrassment of the work of missionary societies through the ravages of the present war, a great responsibility rests upon the churches of America to assist in meeting the situation.

This Conference urges upon every man the supreme importance of the present hour, and resolves to go forward with its work in the full assurance that God is fully able to overrule the present distress and make the coming year the turning-point in the religious progress of the world; and that we pledge our loyalty and express confidence in the ability of the President in maintaining a peaceful attitude within the borders of our own fair land.

In view of the activity of the Roman Catholic Church in national, State, county, and city government, and the great desire of this denomination to gain and control the same for the sole purpose of furthering their political interests, be it

Resolved, That we, the Lower Wabash Conference, hereby protest against this activity of the Roman Catholic Church in attempting to undermine the two cardinal principles upon which our national

government is founded, namely, the complete separation of church and state, and the guarantee of free schools, free thought, and free speech.

The saloon being a menace to society and government, intimidating legislators, and there being nothing commendable connected with it whereby it may lay claim to a legitimate existence, therefore be it

Resolved, That we, as a Conference, pledge our support, and accept the slogan, that 1920 may find North America a saloonless nation, and that it may sweep the entire Western Hemisphere.

We desire to record our high appreciation of the kindness, sympathy, and impartial rulings of our beloved Bishop Fout, thus making this one of the most pleasant sessions of our Conference history.

By the splendid addresses and fellowship of Bishop A. T. Howard, Dr. W. R. Funk, Dr. C. W. Brewbaker, L. D. Bonebrake, Dr. M. R. Drury, T. D. Crites, Miss Elsie Hall, and J. S. Kendall, we were given fresh inspiration and new energy, and we appreciate the presence of all of our visitors, both laymen and ministers.

For the hospitality and fellowship of our host, Rev. J. B. Connett, and the good people of Olney, we desire to express our great appreciation of their kindness to the Conference by a rising vote assuring them of our sincere and hearty prayers.

L. E. MILLER.

A rising vote of thanks was given to our hosts.

The report of the tellers was given as follows:

Recording Secretary—Everett E. Johnson.
Statistical Secretary—L. E. Miller.
Treasurer—S. O. Stoltz.
Westfield College Trustees—W. L. Duncan and C. E. Bigelow.
Trustees Church and Parsonage Building Association and Conference Trustees—J. B. Connett, J. C. Fowler, and T. D. Spyker.
Conference Superintendent's Cabinet—Ministers: J. B. Connett, W. L. Duncan, and D. R. Seneff; Laymen: John England, C. E. Bigelow, and H. F. Brubaker.
Conference Finance Commission—Ministers: T. D. Spyker, L. H. Cooley, and J. B. Norviel; Laymen: Hiram Brubaker, H. G. Taylor, and Wm. Dennis.
Committee on Home Missions—W. L. Blackwell, S. O. Stoltz, W. L. Perkins, and Everett E. Johnson.
Committee on Foreign Missions—G. W. Bonebrake, Sarah D. Bowman, and W. R. Muncie.
Sabbath School Board of Control—C. E. Bigelow, C. C. Rose, and B. N. Sypolt.
Committee on Memoirs—J. E. Spencer, J. F. Fowler and J. E. Sibert.

Conference Court of Appeals—D. R. Seneff and L. H. Cooley.

Board of Directors, General Church Erection—T. D. Spyker. D. R. Seneff, J. B. Norviel, L. H. Cooley, and J. T. McCreery.

Educational Commission—Ministers: J. B. Norviel, J. B. Connett, and W. L. Duncan; Laymen, E. H. McElfresh, and Lloyd Rider.

By motion, the following order was decided for the Trustees Church and Parsonage Building Association and Conference Trustees: J. B. Connett, President; T. D. Spyker, Secretary; J. C. Fowler, Treasurer.

By motion, H. M. Tipsword was granted an open transfer.

By motion, the report of the treasurer of the Ministerial Aid Association is to be printed in the minutes. It follows:

REPORT OF TREASURER OF BENEFICIARY AID.

Brought forward	$ 113.92
Received interest	365.38
Received payment of notes	303.66
Received of W. P. Noble, from Upper Wabash	25.08
Received rent on Loogootee property	77.75
Received Burial Dues	126.00
Received of L. O. Miller, budget dividend	151.11
Total	$1,162.90

Disbursements.

Paid beneficiaries	$ 375.00
Paid to treasurer	20.00
Paid for postage	2.25
Paid, death benefits	86.00
Loaned S. O. Stoltz, conference treasurer	175.00
Loaned Z. H. Byard	250.00
Loaned T. Walton	27.00
Paid W. S. Erwin for repair of Loogootee property	16.78
Total	$ 952.03
Balance	210.87

Respectfully submitted,

J. T. McCreery, Treasurer.

Words of tribute to our Bishop and the older men were spoken by W. L. Perkins.

By motion it was decided that the matter of Rev. Mr. Phelps raising money for East St. Louis and Charleston churches be referred to the Finance Commission for its favorable consideration.

The Bishop appointed Doctor Brewbaker temporary chairman to preside during any of the remainder of the Conference that the Bishop might be absent, should any business come before the Conference.

Reading of the minutes of the day and approval.

Adjournment. Benediction by Rev. B. B. Phelps.

The licentiates are directed in examinations to the following division of labor by the Reading Course Committees:

FIRST YEAR.

W. L. Duncan, Westfield, Ill.—The Teaching of Christ; Future Leadership of the Church.

L. E. Miller, Toledo, Ill.—Extemporaneous Oratory; United Brethren Church History.

L. H. Cooley, Chesterville, Ill.—Making of a Sermon; Principles of Education.

SECOND YEAR.

G. W. Bonebrake, Paris, Ill.—The Preacher; I. and II. Timothy, Titus.

J. C. Fowler, Robinson, Ill.—United Brethren Church History; Galatians.

J. T. McCreery, Lawrenceville, Ill.—Fundamentals of Child Study; The Christian View of the Old Testament.

THIRD YEAR.

W. L. Perkins, Casey, Ill.—System of Christian Doctrine, Reasonable Biblical Criticism.

R. B. Hall, Parkersburg, Ill.—System of Christian Doctrine; Church History.

I. S. McIver, Robinson, Ill.—The Pastor Preacher; Psychology.

FOURTH YEAR.

D. R. Seneff, Moweaqua, Ill.—Apologetics, Christian Nurture.

J. B. Connett, Olney, Ill.—Ethics; Jesus and the Gospels.

W. R. Muncie, Olney, Ill.—System of Christian Doctrine; The Building of the Church.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

Sunday school at 9:30.

The Bishop preached at 10:45 from Romans 1:14, 15, 16. It was a forceful sermon upon the preaching of the Word. At the close of the sermon a special offering in pledges and cash amounting to

$427.50 was taken for East St. Louis, after which the following recommendation was read to the Conference:

AUTHORITY GIVEN BY FINANCE COMMISSION.

To assist the churches at East St. Louis and Charleston, we recommend that Rev. B. B. Phelps be given authority to solicit throughout the Conference during the Conference year in the interest of these enterprises; that his remuneration be fifteen per cent. of the amount collected in cash and fifteen per cent. on net subscriptions collected at a future date.

Endorsed by Finance Committee.

Following this service, B. F. Dotson, B. N. Sypolt, W. L. Blackwell, and H. S. Reese were reverently ordained, Conference Superintendent Rev. J. B. Norviel, Dr. M. R. Drury, Rev. J. B. Connett, and Dr. D. R. Seneff assisting the Bishop.

Then Miss Mary Brawner, of Danville, Ill., was publicly consecrated as a Deaconess.

An Otterbein Guild rally was held at 2:30 p.m., Miss Elsie Hall, of Dayton, being the principal speaker.

At night Doctor Brewbaker gave an address on Sunday-school work.

STATIONING COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

H. H. Fout, D.D., Bishop Northwest District.
J. B. Norviel, Conference Superintendent.
Avena—W. K. Pierson.
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Clarksburg—O. Smith.
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Danville Ct.—J. L. Pellum.
East St. Louis—P. E. Blakney.
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Flora Ct.—H. S. Reese.
Findley—T. D. Spyker.
Fisher—T. H. Decker.

Galton—C. O. Myers.
Hamletsburg—To be supplied.
Johnstown—D. W. Patton.
Loogootee—Walter B. Bean.
Locust Grove—D. R. Seneff.
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Westfield Ct.—C. A. Curtis.
Yale—R. L. Webber.
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B. C. Peters, Student in Otterbein University.
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Class—W. O. Stonebraker, Everett E. Johnson, Sylvester Barker.
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Class—C. W. Perkins, W. K. Pierson.

NECROLOGY

Of Members from Organization of the Conference

Cherished Names	*Died*
A. Dunbar	1860
H. S. Stump	1860
W. H. Brown	1861
S. Coblentz	1862
T. B. Thrapp	1863
A. Sweasy	1864
S. Greason	1867
H. Clark	1871
J. Simpson, Sr	1872
J. H. Bedwell	1873
D. Stoltz	1874
A. W. Hedge	1874
S. Hayworth	1874
O. P. Hurst	1874
J. Severe	1875
S. Stark	1875
J. Cottman	1875
B. Lloyd	1875
J. Simpson, Jr	1876
D. Ross	1879
P. Story	1879
M. T. Tobey	1880
B. Cole	1880
J. P. Shue	1880
S. G. Brock	1881
W. G. Hartman	1881
H. Severn	1882
W. McGinnis	1883
S. Ross	1883
J. Tobey	1884
A. Collins	1884
J. Burtner	1984
P. Brock	1884
S. Allenbaugh	1884
S. C. Stewart	1885
M. Hail	1885
S. B. Allen	1886
J. L. Cardwell	1889
L. S. Chittenden	1892
A. Helton	1892
J. Grim	1892
Daniel Mater	1893
A. Briley	1893
I. W. Williams	1893
J. R. Helton	1896
S. Schlosser	1896
E. Shuey	1897
J. Sheets	1898
W. Kauble	1898
J. G. Shuey	1901
J. J. Page	1901
S. Keagy	1902
D. Bussard	1902
A. Rider	1904
S. Smoot	1904
W. C. Smith	1905
R. Clark	1906
J. Dickens	1906
W. E. Anderson	1908
S. Bussard	1908
J. H. Penner	1908
J. Peachy	1908
W. Quigley	1908
J. Cougill	1910
B. G. Wood	1911
D. F. Meek	1912
W. O. Haycock	1913
J. W. Nye	1913
W. H. Elliott	1914
J. F. Moore	1915

ROLL OF MEMBERS

Active Itinerants	*Joined*	*Ordained*	*Post Office*
Albert, W. O.	1909	1913	St. Francisville, Ill.
Ball, G. W.	1890	1905	Westfield, Ill.
Barker, Sylvester	1917		Loogootee, Ill.
Blackwell, W. L.	1913	1914	Penfield, Ill.
Blakney, Paul E.	1913	1914	E. St. Louis, Ill.
Bonebrake, G. W.	1900	1902	Lake Odessa, Mich.
Broadstone, H. W.	1874	1888	Robinson, Ill.
Connett, J. B.	1886	1889	Danville, Ill.
Cooley, L. H.	1881	1891	Paris, Ill.
Decker, T. H.	1907	1911	Moweaqua, Ill.
Dotson, B. F.	1914	1915	Potomac, Ill.
Fowler, J. C.	1887	1891	Sumner, Ill.
Fowler, J. F.	1895	1901	White Heath, Ill.
Good, G. L.	1915	1912	Yale, Ill.
Hall, R. B.	1914	1913	St. Francisville, Ill.
Hudson, H. D.	1898	1901	Oakwood, Ill.
McCreery, J. T.	1891	1898	Lawrenceville, Ill.
McIver, I. S.	1902	1913	Robinson, Ill.
Miller, L. E.	1900	1903	Olney, Ill.
Muncie, W. R.	1877	1880	Danville, Ill.
Myers, C. O.	1904	1907	Pesotum, Ill.
Padrick, G. W.	1902	1917	Bluford, Ill.
Pellum, J. L.	1903	1911	Marshall, Ill.
Perkins, C. W.	1909		Oblong, Ill.
Perkins, W. L.	1902	1906	Casey, Ill.
Phelps, B. B.	1909	1895	Edwardsburg, Mich.
Pierson, E. M.	1892	1896	Flora, Ill.
Pierson, W. K.	1915		Clarksburg, Ill.
Reese, H. S.	1904	1915	Flora, Ill.
Royer, N. E.	1893	1903	Mt. Vernon, Ill.
Seitzinger, W. R.	1913		Toledo, Ill.
Sibert, J. E.	1911	1916	Fisher, Ill.
Smith, Oscar	1913	1903	Kirksville, Ill.
Spencer, J. E.	1911	1916	Vermilion, Ill.
Spyker, T. D.	1878	1884	Galton, Ill.
Stonebraker, W. O.	1915		Birds, Ill.
Sypolt, B. N.	1911	1915	Westfield, Ill.
Tate, Monroe	1917		Mt. Carmel, Ill., R. D. F.
Thomson, Miss Elizabeth	1907	1914	Woodriver, Ill.
Webber, R. L.	1910	1917	Casey, Ill.

Superannuated Itinerants	*Joined*	*Ordained*	*Post Office*
Ade, D. C.	1909	1897	Rossville, Ill.
Coen, H.	1900	1874	Olney, Ill.
Fink, F. M.	1885	1898	Rose Hill, Ill.
Holsapple, J. W.	1889	1894	Toledo, Ill.

Supernumerary Itinerants	*Joined*	*Ordained*	*Post Office*
Johns, E. R.	1886	1890	Enfield, Ill.
Keller, G. W.	1890		Taylorville. Ill.
Mills, S.	1859	1861	Westfield. Ill.
Seneff, Dr. D. R.	1885	1888	Westfield. Ill.
Stevenson, Mrs. D. K.	1891	1894	Toledo, Ill.
Tohill, J.	1879	1889	Oblong, Ill.
Walters, T.	1881	1891	Olney, Ill.

Supernumerary Itinerants	*Joined*	*Ordained*	*Post Office*
Albert, Mrs. W. O.	1905	1914	St. Francisville, Ill.
Boley, Edw. E.	1897	1900	Olney, Ill.
Boster, G. W.	1894	1899	Chicago Heights, Ill.
Bowman, Miss Sarah D.	1909	1917	Dayton, Ohio.
Brown, E. J.	1916	1887	
Byard, Z. H.	1888	1891	Villa Grove, Ill.
Byrd, L.	1909	1885	Rossville, Ill.
Coffman, J.	1870	1871	Bluford, Ill.
Eastin, J. H.	1910		Kirksville. Ill.
Gladwell, C. N.	1910		
Johnson, Everett E.	1913		Dayton, Ohio.
Kauble, Elias A.	1914		Clay City, Ill.
Nash, Mrs. R. J.	1905	1910	Clay City, Ill.
Norviel, J. B.	1887	1890	Urbana, Ill.
Olmstead, A. J.	1910		Johnstown, Ill.
Peters, B. C.	1909		Westerville, Ohio.
Shuey, W. R.	1862	1869	Westfield, Ill.
Smith, J. A.	1873	1878	Ft. Towson, Okla.
Stoltz, S. O.	1897	1900	St. Francisville, Ill.
Stevenson, D. K.	1887	1893	Toledo, Ill.

Local Preachers	*Joined*	*Post Office*
Henry, Miss Essie	1916	Chesterville, Ill.
Powell, L. J.	1916	Brownstown. Ill.
Belden, Arthur	1917	Rossville, Ill.
Venatta, Leo B.	1917	Indianapolis, Ind.
Ramsey, Arthur O.	1917	Charleston, Ill.
Curtis, Chas. A.	1917	Charleston, Ill.
Aungst, F. C.	1917	Borton, Ill.
Shortridge, C. T.	1917	Longview, Ill.

The following Quarterly Conference Preachers are engaged in the active work:

Williams, Curtis	Robinson, Ill.
Bond, Guy	Vergennes, Ill.
Godert, L. W.	Olney, Ill.
Raley, W. T.	Parkersburg, Ill.
Osman, W. C.	Beecher City, Ill.
Webber, Ralph	Martinsville, Ill

LAY DELEGATES

Fields	*Delegates*
Avena	John Markley
Blue Mound	Absent
Birds	J. W. Weirich
Beecher City	J. N. Richards
Bluford	S. L. Neal
Charleston	A. E. Stites
Chesterville	Absent
Casey Station	R. Shore
Casey Circuit	John E. Sharp
Clarksburg	Absent
Danville Station	Allan Mooney
Danville Circuit	Absent
East St. Louis	Hannah E. Williams
Flora Station	J. L. Berry
Flora Circuit	Jesse Curry
Findlay	Mrs. Isaac Alvey
Fisher	L. C. Wade
Galton	Harry Riley
Hamletsburg	Absent
Johnstown	Absent
Loogootee	Mary Peyton
Locust Grove	Cyrus Weekly
Longview	Wm. D. Kraft
Lawrenceville	E. A. Brunson
Mt. Vernon	L. S. Wood
Marshall	Mary Washburn
Martinsville	C. C. Hodges
New Hebron	H. R. Stephens
Oakwood	Ora Smith
Olney Station	M. S. Taysor
Olney Circuit	Homer Herrin
Oblong	W. B. Jones
Otterbein	Absent
Pesotum	Cora Schurg
Potomac	Absent
Penfield	Alice Penrod
Paris	Absent
Parkersburg	J. T. Lambert
Redmon	Absent
Rossville	Absent
Robinson	M. L. Fry
Rose Hill	I. L. Koontz
Sumner	F. L. Harper
St. Francisville Station	C. L. Stephenson
St. Francisville Circuit	Harvey Brunson
Toledo	J. H. Holsapple
Vergennes	Wm. Quigley
Vermilion	Absent
White Heath	Absent
Woodriver	Absent
Westfield Station	C. C. Rider
Westfield Circuit	F. M. Rhue
Yale	Maggie Snearly

CONFERENCE RECORD FROM ORGANIZATION

Time	*Place*	*Bishop*	*Secretaries*
Mar. 17-21, 1859	Westfield, Ill	Edwards	W. C. Smith.
Mar. 22-25, 1860	New Hebron, Ill	Edwards	W. C. Smith.
Mar. 21-24, 1861	Vermilion, Ill	Edwards	W. C. Smith.
Mar. 13-16, 1862	Westfield, Ill	Edwards	W. C. Smith, S. Mills.
Mar. 26-29, 1863	Centerpoint, Ind	Edwards	W. C. Smith, S. Mills.
Mar. 31-April 4, 1864	Vermilion, Ill	Edwards	S. Mills, J. W. Nye.
Sept. 8-11, 1864	New Hebron, Ill	Edwards	S. Mills, J. W. Nye.
Sept. 7- —, 1865	Parkersburg, Ill	Weaver	S. Mills, G. W. Keller.
Aug. 22-25, 1866	Westfield, Ill	Weaver	S. Mills, J. W. Nye.
Aug. 27-31, 1867	Prairieton, Ind	Weaver	S. Mills, J. W. Nye.
Aug. 19-23, 1868	Vermilion, Ill	Weaver	S. Mills, J. W. Nye.
Aug. 19-23, 1869	Westfield, Ill	Edwards	S. Mills, J. W. Nye.
Sept. 14-19, 1870	New Hebron, Ill	Edwards	J. H. Ross, W. C. Smith.
Sept. 6-11, 1871	Terre Haute, Ind	Edwards	J. H. Ross, S. Mills.
Aug. 21-26, 1872	New Goshen, Ind	Edwards	S. Mills, R. L. Brengle.
Aug. 4-9, 1873	Westfield, Ill	Dickson	S. Mills, R. L. Brengle.
Oct. 8-12, 1874	Prairieton, Ind	Dickson	S. Mills, W. H. Long.
Sept. 29-Oct. 2, 1875	Vermilion, Ill	Dickson	S. Mills, W. H. Long.
Oct. 4-8, 1876	Middlebury, Ind	Dickson	S. Mills, H. L. Brengle.
Sept. 26-30, 1877	Centerpoint, Ind	Weaver	S. Mills, W. H. Long.
Oct. 9-13, 1878	Westfield, Ill	Weaver	S. Mills, H. L. Brengle.
Oct. 15-19, 1879	Vermilion, Ill	Weaver	S. Mills.
Oct. 6-10, 1880	Centerpoint, Ind	Weaver	S. Mills, H. L. Brengle.
Sept. 28-Oct. 2, 1881	New Goshen, Ind	Kephart	S. Mills, R. L. Brengle.
Sept. 6-10, 1882	Parkersburg, Ill	Kephart	S. Mills, R. L. Brengle.
Sept. 19-23, 1883	Westfield, Ill	Kephart	S. Mills, W. R. Muncie.
Sept. 17-21, 1884	New Hebron, Ill	Kephart	S. Mills, W. R. Muncie.
Sept. 30-Oct. 4, 1885	Redmon, Ill	Castle	S. Mills, W. R. Muncie.
Sept. 29-Oct. 3, 1886	Centerpoint, Ind	Kephart	S. Mills, W. R. Muncie
Sept. 28, Oct. 2, 1887	New Hebron, Ill	Weaver	S. Mills, W. R. Muncie.
Sept. 26-30, 1888	Westfield, Ill	Dickson	S. Mills, W. R. Muncie.
Sept. 25-29, 1889	Clay City, Ind	Kephart	S. Mills, D. R. Seneff.
Sept. 24-30, 1890	Paris, Ill	Castle	S. Mills, D. R. Seneff.
Aug. 26-30, 1891	Westfield, Ill	Weaver	S. Mills, W. R. Shuey.
Aug. 31-Sept. 4, 1892	Clay City, Ind	Dickson	S. Mills, W. R. Shuey.
Aug. 30-Sept. 4, 1893	Terre Haute, Ind	Hott	S. Mills, W. R. Shuey.
Aug. 20-Sept. 2, 1894	Westfield, Ill	Castle	S. Mills, W. R. Shuey.
Aug. 28-Sept. 1, 1895	Oblong, Ill	Kephart	L. H. Cooley, A. D. Markley.
Sept. 9-13, 1896	Paris, Ill	Mills	L. H. Cooley, A. D. Markley.
Sept. 22-26, 1897	Clay City, Ind	Weaver	L. H. Cooley, A. D. Markley.
Sept. 21-25, 1898	Terre Haute, Ind	Castle	L. H. Cooley, A. D. Markley.
Aug. 30-Sept. 3, 1899	Westfield, Ill	Castle	L. H. Cooley, A. D. Markley.
Sept. 5-9, 1900	Olney, Ill	Weaver	L. H. Cooley, A. D. Markley.
Sept. 4-8, 1901	Casey, Ill	Hott	L. H. Cooley, A. D. Markley.
Aug. 27-31, 1902	Oblong, Ill	Mathews	L. H. Cooley, A. D. Markley.
Aug. 26-30, 1903	Terre Haute, Ind	Mathews	L. H. Cooley, A. D. Markley.
Aug. 17-21, 1904	Mt. Vernon, Ind	Mathews	L. H. Cooley, J. A. Hawkins.
Sept. 6-11, 1905	Olney, Ill	Mathews	Edw. Boley, A. D. Markley.
Aug. 29-Sept. 2, 1906	Westfield, Ill	Mathews	A. D. Markley, W. L. Perkins.
Aug. 21-25, 1907	Terre Haute, Ind	Mathews	A. D. Markley, L. H. Cooley.
Aug. 19-23, 1908	Paris, Ill	Mathews	A. D. Markley, L. H. Cooley.
Aug. 18-22, 1909	Casey, Ill	Mathews	A. D. Markley, L. H. Cooley.
Sept. 7-11, 1910	Robinson, Ill	Bell	L. H. Cooley, W. L. Perkins.
Aug. 23-27, 1911	Danville, Ill	Mathews	L. H. Cooley, C. A. Dwyer.
Aug. 21-25, 1912	St. Francisville, Ill	Mathews	L. H. Cooley, L. E. Miller.
Aug. 20-24, 1913	Paris, Ill	Fout	Ev. E. Johnson, L. E. Miller.
Aug. 19-23, 1914	Rossville, Ill	Fout	Ev. E. Johnson, L. E. Miller.
Aug. 18-22, 1915	Olney, Ill	Fout	Ev. E. Johnson, L. E Miller.
Aug. 16-20, 1916	Casey, Ill	Fout	Ev. E. Johnson, L. E. Miller.
Aug. 15-19, 1917	Lawrenceville, Ill	Fout	Ev. E. Johnson, L. E. Miller.

STANDING OF THE CHARGES
As Reported by the Pastors

Charge	Membership		Pastor's Salary			Benevolence Budget		Pastor's Salary and Benev. Budget Paid in Full
	Increase	Decrease	Full	Increase or Decrease over Previous Year		Full	Deficit	
Brownstown		D	F		D	F		F
Birds	I		F	I		F		F
Beecher City		D			D	F		
Bluford		D		I			D	
Charleston	I		F			F		F
Chesterville	Same		F		D		D	
Casey Station	I		F			F		F
Casey Circuit	I		F	I			D	
Clarksburg	I		F	I			D	
Danville Station	I		F	I			D	
Danville Circuit		D			D		D	
East St. Louis	I		F	I		F		F
Findlay		D	F				D	
Fisher		D	F				D	
Flora Station	I		F	I		F		F
Flora Circuit		D	F		D		D	
Galton	I		F	I		F		F
Hamletsburg	Same				D		D	
Johnstown		D		I			D	
Lawrenceville	I		F			F		F
Locust Grove		D			D		D	
Loogootee	I			I			D	
Longview	I			I			D	
Marshall	I		F	I		F		F
Martinsville		D			D		D	
Mt. Vernon		D		I		F		
New Hebron	I		F		D	F		F
Oakwood		D		I			D	
Oblong	I		F			F		F
Olney Station		D	F			F		F
Olney Circuit	I		F		D		D	
Otterbein	I		F	I			D	
Paris	I		F		D		D	
Parkersburg	I		F	I			D	
Penfield	I			I		F		
Pesotum		D	F		D		D	
Potomac		D		I			D	
Redmon	I		F				D	
Robinson	I		F	I		F		F
Rose Hill	I			I			D	
Rossville		D		I			D	
St. Francisville Station		D	F			F		F
St. Francisville Circuit	I		F		D		D	
Sumner	I		F			F		F
Toledo	I		F	I		F		F
Vergennes	I		F	I		F		F
Vermilion	I		F	I			D	
Westfield Station	I		F			F		F
Westfield Circuit	I		F	I			D	
White Heath		D	F	I			D	
Woodriver		D	F			F		F
Yale	I			I			D	
Totals	31	19	36	27	13	22	30	19
Same	2			12				
	33			39				

	FIELD OF LABOR	Name of Preacher	No. Churches on Charge	New Churches Organized	No. Churches Disorganized	Beginning of Year	Received by Conf. of Faith	Received by Letter or Transfer	Rec'd by Change in Boundary	Total in Church during Year
1	Avena	Essie Henry	2	....	3	110	8	6	....	124
2	Blue Mound	E. J. Brown	1	....	....	115	....	....	....	115
3	Birds	W. O. Stonebraker	5	....	....	224	19	9	....	252
4	Beecher City	W. K. Pierson	3	....	....	218	....	1	....	219
5	Bluford	W. T. Raley	5	....	....	428	7	....	....	435
6	Charleston	L. E. Miller	1	....	....	149	12	10	....	171
7	Chesterville	Sarah D. Bowman	1	....	....	170	8	....	1	179
8	Casey Station	W. L. Perkins	1	....	....	396	31	9	....	436
9	Casey Circuit	R. L. Webber	4	....	....	178	17	....	....	195
10	Clarksburg	O. Smith	2	....	....	211	8	....	....	219
11	Danville Station	R. L. Fletcher	1	....	....	218	8	13	....	239
12	Danville Circuit	W. R. Muncie	3	....	....	309	5	7	....	321
13	East St. Louis	P. E. Blakney	1	....	....	48	26	11	....	85
14	Flora Station	E. M. Pierson	1	....	....	124	11	7	....	142
15	Flora Circuit	H. S. Reese	4	....	....	394	14	....	....	408
16	Findlay	T. D. Spyker	2	....	....	144	4	....	....	148
17	Fisher	C. O. Myers	2	....	....	181	5	6	....	192
18	Galton	T. H. Decker	1	....	....	45	22	....	....	67
19	Hamletsburg		2	....	....	86	....	....	....	86
20	Johnstown	C. A. Curtis	4	....	....	200	....	....	....	202
21	Loogootee	Sylvester Barker	4	....	....	159	10	7	....	176
22	Locust Grove	G. W. Padrick	1	....	....	133	....	....	....	133
23	Longview	Chas. Shortridge	2	....	....	168	19	9	....	196
24	Lawrenceville	J. T. McCreery	2	....	....	377	76	7	....	460
25	Mt. Vernon	F. C. Aungst	1	....	....	75	3	3	....	81
26	Marshall	N. E. Royer	3	....	....	260	9	1	....	270
27	Martinsville	Lloyd Godart	4	....	....	242	8	2	....	252
28	New Hebron	Arthur Belden	4	....	....	338	76	46	60	520
29	Oakwood	J. L. Pellum	5	....	....	311	18	6	....	335
30	Olney Station	J. B. Connett	1	....	....	385	15	9	....	409
31	Olney Circuit		4	....	....	251	60	....	....	311
32	Oblong	C. W. Perkins	2	....	....	293	22	4	....	319
33	Otterbein	Monroe Tate	4	....	....	251	13	2	....	266
34	Pesotum	J. E. Rowe	2	....	....	97	....	1	....	98
35	Potomac	J. E. Sibert	2	....	....	194	1	2	....	197
36	Penfield	W. L. Blackwell	3	....	....	132	36	1	23	192
37	Paris		1	....	....	261	25	....	....	286
38	Parkersburg	R. B. Hall	4	....	....	313	36	....	....	349
39	Redmon	J. F. Fowler	3	....	....	321	19	....	....	340
40	Rossville	W. O. Albert	2	....	....	212	....	8	....	220
41	Robinson	I. S. McIver	1	....	....	185	48	26	....	259
42	Rose Hill	H. W. Broadstone	4	....	....	218	19	....	....	237
43	Sumner	J. C. Fowler	4	....	....	445	67	....	....	512
44	St. Francisville Station	B. F. Dotson	1	....	....	199	3	1	....	203
45	St. Francisville Circuit	H. D. Hudson	4	....	....	293	21	....	....	314
46	Toledo	W. R. Seitzinger	3	....	....	120	19	2	....	141
47	Vergennes	Guy Bond	4	....	....	221	49	1	6	277
48	Vermilion	J. E. Spencer	3	....	....	188	36	....	....	224
49	White Heath	J. L. Powell	2	....	....	227	13	....	....	240
50	Woodriver	Elizabeth Thomson	1	....	....	105	4	4	....	113
51	Westfield Station	B. N. Sypolt	1	....	....	202	10	20	....	232
52	Westfield Circuit	Curtis Williams	5	....	....	259	15	6	....	280
53	Yale	G. L. Good	4	....	....	184	26	57	....	267
54	Prairie Chapel		1	....	....	30	....	....	....	30
55	Champaign-Urbana		....	1	....	.....	19	....	....	19
		Totals	138	1	3	11597	1000	306	90	12993

	Lost by Death	Lost by Letter and Transfer	Lost by Change in Boundary	All Other Losses	Total Loss	Present Membership	Increase	Decrease	Under Watch-Care of Church	No. Y. P. S. C. E. Societies	Members	Junior and Int. C. E. Societies	Members	No. Otterbein Brotherhoods	Members	No. W. M. A. Societies	Members
1	1	4	....	20	25	99	....	11	....	1	100	....	....	....	....	....	....
2	1	....	....	75	76	39	....	76	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
3	2	4	....	....	6	246	22	....	....	2	85	....	....	....	....	....	....
4	7	2	....	17	26	193	....	25	....	2	75	....	....	....	....	....	....
5	4	4	....	....	8	427	....	1	....	3	140	....	....	....	....	2	....
6	3	4	....	10	17	154	5	....	....	1	50	1	25	....	....	1	19
7	....	6	....	3	9	170	....	....	....	....	....	1	29	....	....	1	3
8	3	11	....	2	16	420	24	....	....	1	63	1	50	....	....	1	57
9	3	1	....	....	4	191	13	....	....	4	92	....	....	....	....	....	....
10	1	....	....	....	1	218	7	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
11	1	4	....	....	5	234	16	....	....	1	38	1	43	1	25	1	33
12	3	....	....	49	52	269	....	40	....	3	53	....	....	....	....	1	26
13	....	1	....	....	1	84	36	....	14	....	....	1	50	....	....	1	12
14	....	3	....	....	3	139	15	....	1	1	53	2	79	....	....	....	....
15	3	5	....	11	19	389	....	5	....	4	131	....	....	....	....	....	....
16	2	....	....	6	8	140	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
17	4	5	....	4	13	179	....	2	....	2	76	....	....	2	24	....	....
18	....	10	....	3	13	54	9	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
19	....	....	....	....	.....	86	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
20	1	....	....	13	14	188	....	12	....	3	66	....	....	....	....	....	....
21	2	4	....	....	6	170	11	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
22	....	4	....	....	4	129	....	4	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	14
23	....	3	....	....	3	193	25	....	....	1	26	....	....	....	....	....	....
24	4	4	....	8	35	445	48	....	....	2	98	1	79	1	35	1	35
25	3	8	....	13	24	57	....	18	....	1	21	1	20	....	....	....	....
26	3	1	....	....	4	266	6	....	....	2	55	....	....	....	....	2	18
27	3	6	....	8	17	235	....	6	17	1	27	....	....	....	....	....	....
28	4	17	....	38	59	461	123	....	....	4	186	3	73	....	....	2	71
29	3	12	....	11	26	309	....	2	....	1	15	....	....	....	....	1	10
30	5	16	....	23	44	365	....	20	....	1	83	2	58	....	....	1	37
31	....	....	....	11	11	300	49	....	....	2	45	....	....	....	....	....	....
32	3	4	....	....	7	312	19	....	....	1	43	1	27	....	....	1	20
33	2	2	....	....	4	262	11	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
34	....	2	....	1	3	95	....	2	....	2	43	....	....	....	....	....	....
35	2	6	....	2	10	187	....	7	....	1	12	....	....	....	....	....	....
36	4	....	....	1	5	187	55	....	....	1	35	1	38	....	....	....	....
37	....	....	....	10	10	276	15	....	....	1	30	1	38	....	....	1	25
38	....	3	....	....	3	346	33	....	....	1	52	....	....	....	....	....	....
39	1	3	....	....	4	336	15	....	....	1	25	....	....	....	....	3	48
40	2	9	33	5	49	171	....	41	....	1	27	....	....	....	....	....	....
41	5	3	....	6	14	245	60	....	....	1	58	....	....	....	....	1	39
42	2	2	....	8	12	225	7	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
43	4	3	....	12	19	493	48	....	....	3	140	1	30	....	....	1	40
44	....	4	....	4	8	195	....	4	....	1	35	2	64	....	....	1	24
45	1	....	....	13	14	300	7	....	....	2	41	....	....	....	....	....	....
46	3	....	....	2	5	136	16	....	....	1	16	....	....	....	....	1	12
47	3	13	11	20	47	230	9	....	....	2	75	....	....	....	....	....	....
48	2	....	....	....	2	222	34	....	....	2	55	....	....	....	....	1	49
49	1	....	....	162	163	77	....	150	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
50	....	....	34	10	44	69	....	36	....	1	30	1	38	....	....	1	13
51	2	10	....	....	12	220	18	....	....	1	30	1	29	1	40	1	64
52	2	3	....	....	5	275	16	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
53	2	9	....	4	15	252	68	....	....	1	13	....	....	....	....	....	....
54	....	....	....	....	.....	30	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
55	....	....	....	....	.....	19	19	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
	107	215	78	603	985	12008	866	455	32	69	2338	22	770	5	124	28	669

FIELD OF LABOR	No. Otterbein Guilds	Members in Otterbein Guilds	No. Sunday Schools	Teachers and Officers	Scholars in Main School	Scholars in Home Dept.	No. on Cradle Roll	Total Enrollment	Average Attendance	No. Organized Adult Classes	Organ'd Classes (ages 12-20)	Scholars in Or'd Adult Classes	Sunday School Libraries
1 Avena	....	....	1	29	191	....	....	221	123	3	3	45	1
2 Blue Mound	....	....	1	5	20	....	12	37	20	1	1	10	....
3 Birds	....	....	5	51	.....	....	....	546	257	....	....	....	1
4 Beecher City	....	....	3	....	203	....	20	.....	117	2	1	31	....
5 Bluford	....	....	5	46	350	....	31	427	211	....	....	....	....
6 Charleston	1	12	1	16	147	....	23	186	....	2	2	24	1
7 Chesterville	....	....	1	12	148	....	....	160	44	....	....	....	....
8 Casey Station	....	....	1	24	449	15	36	500	221	6	8	285	....
9 Casey Circuit	....	....	4	43	244	28	19	263	158	....	....	....	....
10 Clarksburg	....	....	2	10	100	....	12	122	....	....	....	....	....
11 Danville Station	1	40	1	20	240	10	20	290	....	4	4	100	1
12 Danville Circuit	....	....	3	32	190	....	....	200	....	....	....	....	....
13 East St. Louis	....	....	1	9	96	....	....	96	45	1	....	24	....
14 Flora Station	....	....	1	16	170	....	34	204	70	4	1	79	....
15 Flora Circuit	....	....	4	46	313	30	35	378	235	8	....	90	....
16 Findlay	....	....	2	20	100	....	....	120	60	....	....	....	....
17 Fisher	....	....	2	28	154	....	22	194	95	....	....	....	....
18 Galton	....	....	1	11	60	....	22	93	45	2	....	35	....
19 Hamletsburg	....	....	2	....	.....	....	....	.....	....	....	....	....	....
20 Johnstown	....	....	4	22	268	....	....	290	132	....	5	54	....
21 Loogootee	....	....	5	38	248	20	15	283	280	4	2	40	2
22 Locust Grove	1	22	1	19	80	....	30	110	67	....	....	....	....
23 Longview	....	....	2	31	170	22	24	247	135	....	....	....	....
24 Lawrenceville	2	56	2	33	501	55	131	687	275	7	4	205	....
25 Mt. Vernon	1	11	1	13	72	....	6	91	39	....	....	....	1
26 Marshall	2	16	3	33	214	12	27	253	165	....	....	....	....
27 Martinsville	....	....	4	35	159	....	....	194	108	3	1	31	
28 New Hebron	1	27	4	55	491	10	52	608	264	....	1	23	....
29 Oakwood	....	....	4	50	.....	12	37	388	245	2	....	30	....
30 Olney Station	1	28	1	27	273	22	61	361	197	3	2	72	....
31 Olney Circuit	....	....	4	41	227	....	25	293	....	6	2	80	....
32 Oblong	....	....	2	27	325	....	43	395	150	....	....	....	....
33 Otterbein	....	....	4	28	225	....	....	253	165	....	....	....	....
34 Pesotum	....	....	2	24	105	5	11	155	90	2	5	....	2
35 Potomac	....	....	2	23	160	....	15	198	87	....	....	....	....
36 Penfield	....	....	3	38	214	15	26	293	123	....	....	....	....
37 Paris	....	....	1	23	247	40	23	333	132	3	3	70	1
38 Parkersburg	....	....	4	43	406	....	52	458	240	....	....	....	....
39 Redmon	....	....	3	25	350	12	32	394	140	....	....	....	....
40 Rossville	1	15	1	17	100	34	21	172	60	....	1	20	....
41 Robinson	1	41	1	19	150	27	31	208	....	2	3	....	....
42 Rose Hill	....	....	3	26	120	....	....	120	....	....	....	....	....
43 Sumner	1	20	4	66	400	26	30	526	300	19	....	290	....
44 St. Francisville Sta.	1	20	1	19	200	....	24	224	95	5	....	100	1
45 St. Francisville Cir.	....	....	4	45	290	....	....	330	255	....	1	....	....
46 Toledo	....	....	3	24	132	....	....	.....	....	....	....	....	....
47 Vergennes	....	....	3	31	83	....	44	127	151	....	....	....	....
48 Vermilion	....	....	3	35	295	50	58	303	228	....	....	....	....
49 White Heath	....	....	2	....	.....	....	....	.....	....	....	....	....	....
50 Woodriver	1	16	1	17	203	8	53	281	115	....	....	....	....
51 Westfield Station	1	28	1	23	150	30	50	243	120	6	....	90	....
52 Westfield Circuit	....	....	4	42	225	....	....	267	....	....	....	....	....
53 Yale	....	....	4	46	230	....	27	292	....	4	....	98	....
54 Prairie Chapel	....	....	....	....	.....	....	....	.....	....	....	....	....	....
55 Champaign-Urbana	....	....	....	....	.....	....	....	.....	....	....	....	....	....
Totals	16	352	132	1456	10488	483	1234	13414	6059	99	50	1926	11

	Volumes in Libraries	Added Church from S. S.	Religious Telescope	Watchword	Friend for Boys and Girls	Otterbein Teacher	Otterbein Adult Quarterly	Otterbein Senior Quarterly	Otterbein Int. Quarterly	Otterbein Home Dept. Quarterly	Weekly Bible Lesson Leaves	Lessons for our Juniors	Bible pictures for little ones	Lesson Picture Chart	Graded Series Beginners	Graded Series Primary	Graded Series Junior	Woman's Evangel
1	....	6	8	12	20	....	....	60	45	....	20	....	15	....	10	15	15	....
2	....	....	1	....	....	....	10	10	5	....	20	10	7	1	....	....	....	....
3	30	....	35	35	75	27	....	235	140	....	15	78	76	4	....	....	....	2
4	....	....	24	30	10	10	....	84	48	....	....	47	47	....	....	....	....	3
5	....	7	21	....	42	8	....	160	125	....	53	65	65	....	....	....	....	....
6	7	10	8	....	60	2	12	50	50	....	10	20	....	....	....	....	....	10
7	....	4	5	10	24	5	30	30	....	....	50	10	....	1	....	....	....	....
8	....	26	25	125	60	10	....	150	80	15	150	....	....	....	25	35	....	26
9	....	....	19	65	....	....	50	60	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
10	....	....	9	40	....	....	24	....	11	....	....	....	12	....	....	....	....	....
11	25	....	27	....	50	15	60	....	56	10	40	20	....	....	....	....	....	12
12	....	8	27	42	....	....	35	50	50	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	18
13	....	16	11	10	10	5	25	....	25	....	24	35	40	1	....	....	....	5
14	....	6	23	35	....	....	....	80	30	....	15	35	50	1	....	....	....	....
15	....	....	9	30	....	12	....	125	50	90	28	40	25	2	....	....	....	....
16	....	4	6	10	....	1	....	100	30	....	....	20	15	....	....	....	....	1
17	....	6	24	25	27	7	12	35	100	10	....	20	50	1	....	....	....	1
18	....	17	6	10	15	6	45	....	30	....	20	10	30	1	....	....	....	1
19	....	....	4	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
20	....	....	3	2	12	....	....	44	27	....	15	12	24	....	....	....	....	....
21	35	4	10	....	8	40	105	12	15	30	40	30	....	....	....	....	....	....
22	....	....	8	5	....	6	35	40	35	....	15	30	30	1	....	....	....	10
23	....	19	19	....	30	14	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
24	....	24	36	70	40	20	75	135	15	60	50	60	50	2	....	....	....	22
25	....	3	6	12	20	7	....	30	30	....	5	25	20	1	....	....	....	5
26	....	6	15	75	7	7	....	95	35	12	40	28	26	1	....	....	....	14
27	....	6	30	35	7	13	....	115	40	....	20	12	34	2	....	....	....	....
28	....	....	45	79	50	18	....	185	70	10	25	55	80	....	....	....	....	59
29	....	6	21	10	....	8	34	99	95	....	80	49	62	....	....	....	....	9
30	....	11	51	19	....	....	100	100	....	30	10	....	....	....	20	30	35	27
31	....	25	18	72	....	11	89	26	69	12	60	....	55	3	....	....	....	2
32	....	9	24	80	60	10	....	100	70	....	....	75	....	....	20	20	24	14
33	....	....	5	7	12	4	4	180	60	....	40	30	45	1	....	....	....	....
34	....	....	8	16	15	10	39	38	20	5	12	8	17	4	....	....	....	....
35	....	1	15	40	40	6	....	65	15	....	30	12	12	....	15	10	15	....
36	....	25	16	70	10	9	35	135	....	....	60	50	30	2	....	....	....	2
37	8	....	20	60	46	4	....	80	15	....	40	12	....	....	15	15	18	....
38	....	....	51	82	10	....	....	230	50	....	55	25	....	3	20	15	40	....
39	....	6	29	30	10	12	60	275	150	20	....	30	....	1	....	....	....	26
40	....	....	17	30	30	8	....	40	25	35	25	30	20	....	....	....	....	6
41	....	32	13	35	....	6	25	20	35	25	20	....	....	....	15	25	26	20
42	....	....	15	10	....	3	....	59	74	....	....	20	....	....	....	....	....	....
43	....	44	47	100	85	26	400	....	....	....	150	75	....	4	....	....	....	16
44	....	3	19	50	....	11	....	95	35	....	24	26	....	1	2	5	....	20
45	....	15	28	30	30	12	135	80	40	....	15	80	60	1	....	....	....	....
46	....	18	16	25	30	4	30	53	20	....	20	15	21	....	....	....	....	8
47	....	22	11	1	....	9	44	19	....	....	....	....	....	4	....	....	....	....
48	....	26	25	17	45	26	35	83	55	20	20	32	38	2	....	....	....	20
49	....	....	13	37	6	....	....	123	....	15	....	10	30	....	....	....	....	....
50	....	....	9	50	35	13	30	55	35	10	10	25	20	1	....	....	....	27
51	....	....	87	50	20	....	60	50	40	20	25	14	....	....	....	....	....	43
52	....	....	5	....	....	....	50	20	55	....	65	....	50	....	....	....	....	....
53	....	18	19	....	70	....	....	205	....	12	....	51	24	....	....	....	....	1
54	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
55	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
	105	433	1046	1678	1121	425	1688	4000	2100	441	1416	1331	1180	46	142	170	172	430

	FIELD OF LABOR	Pastor's Salary Paid by Charge	Missionary Appropriation	Parsonage Rent	Presents Rec'd	Total Received by Pastor	Conference Supt. Salary	Local Current Expenses
1	Avena	$ 260 00	$.....	$ 43 00	$ 150 00	$ 453 00	$ 20 00	$ 38 50
2	Blue Mound	300 00	.....	.....	3 00	303 00	17 50	12 00
3	Birds	700 00	.....	50 00	105 00	855 00	32 00	400 00
4	Beecher City	445 39	.....	60 00	91 68	597 07	28 00	177 58
5	Bluford	677 00	.....	96 00	35 00	808 00	35 00	161 00
6	Charleston	315 00	685 00	.....	36 00	1036 00	16 00	87 25
7	Chesterville	448 24	.....	100 00	5 00	553 24	24 00	.....
8	Casey Station	1200 00	.....	180 00	.....	1380 00	35 00	402 23
9	Casey Circuit	717 50	.....	.....	85 00	802 50	30 00	.....
10	Clarksburg	400 00	.....	72 00	37 00	509 00	24 00	.....
11	Danville Station	900 00	100 00	180 00	.....	1180 00	32 00	200 00
12	Danville Circuit	640 00	.....	.....	25 00	665 00	36 00	363 00
13	East St. Louis	100 00	1040 00	100 00	25 00	1265 00	12 00	340 73
14	Flora Station	600 00	250 00	120 00	143 78	1113 78	24 00	201 05
15	Flora Circuit	665 00	.....	100 00	38 00	794 00	30 00	176 90
16	Findlay	610 00	.....	60 00	50 00	720 00	28 00	50 00
17	Fisher	650 00	.....	100 00	10 00	760 00	30 25	125 00
18	Galton	600 00	.....	100 00	25 00	725 00	24 00	69 50
19	Hamletsburg	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12 00	.....
20	Johnstown	299 25	.....	.....	20 35	319 60	28 00	14 81
21	Loogootee	423 00	.....	100 00	59 00	642 00	35 00	125 00
22	Locust Grove	460 03	.....	75 00	5 50	540 53	32 00	80 00
23	Longview	625 00	.....	75 00	36 00	763 00	35 00	112 00
24	Lawrenceville	1025 00	.....	.....	168 15	1193 15	30 00	434 07
25	Mt. Vernon	318 00	500 00	.....	10 00	828 00	14 00	80 75
26	Marshall	780 00	.....	200 00	95 00	1075 00	30 00	170 00
27	Martinsville	586 15	.....	.....	79 93	666 08	28 30	148 39
28	New Hebron	790 00	.....	150 00	366 78	1306 78	41 00	390 29
29	Oakwood	715 03	.....	90 00	60 00	870 03	34 89	223 87
30	Olney Station	1000 00	.....	200 00	41 00	1241 00	36 00	366 00
31	Olney Circuit	400 00	.....	20 00	.....	420 00	38 00	100 00
32	Oblong	825 00	.....	100 00	125 00	1050 00	34 00	178 00
33	Otterbein	505 00	.....	.....	73 80	578 80	28 00	.....
34	Pesotum	400 00	.....	100 00	23 00	523 00	24 00	75 00
35	Potomac	776 00	.....	100 00	59 00	935 00	31 25	213 38
36	Penfield	914 65	.....	.....	70 60	985 25	36 00	110 00
37	Paris	750 00	.....	150 00	.....	900 00	16 00	200 00
38	Parkersburg	668 00	.....	100 00	117 65	885 65	36 00	135 00
39	Redmon	750 00	.....	100 00	18 20	868 20	41 10	1081 00
40	Rossville	223 00	.....	120 00	44 00	387 00	11 32	150 00
41	Robinson	800 00	.....	240 00	163 25	1203 25	32 00	270 87
42	Rose Hill	423 88	.....	.....	5 00	428 88	36 00	47 00
43	Sumner	1000 00	.....	150 00	120 00	1270 00	41 00	400 00
44	St. Francisville Sta.	780 00	.....	100 00	15 00	895 00	32 00	132 74
45	St. Francisville Cir.	625 00	.....	150 00	67 50	842 50	32 00	500 00
46	Toledo	550 00	250 00	100 00	83 00	983 00	30 00	130 00
47	Vergennes	520 00	.....	72 00	206 91	799 81	30 00	.....
48	Vermilion	800 00	.....	120 00	125 00	1045 00	38 00	355 00
49	White Heath	404 67	.....	120 00	108 00	632 67	24 00	.....
50	Woodriver	600 00	250 00	.....	40 00	890 00	24 00	82 00
51	Westfield Station	1000 00	.....	120 00	62 00	1182 00	41 00	386 78
52	Westfield Circuit	700 00	.....	.....	52 00	752 00	19 50	80 00
53	Yale	629 10	.....	75 00	30 65	734 75	32 62	147 50
54	Prairie Chapel	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
55	Champaign-Urbana	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Totals	$ 32293 89	$3075 00	$4288 00	$3415 23	$ 42356 52	$1541 73	$9734 19

	Church and Parsonage Repair	For New Church	For New Parsonage	For Local S. S. Purposes	For Local Y. P. S. C. E.	Expenses	Benevolence Budget	Conference Budget	Conference Church Extension	Special Foreign Missions
1	$ 122 50	$.....	$.....	$ 41 69	$ 13 50	.....	$ 75 00	.....	$.....	$.....
2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	14 75	.....	.....	.....
3	105 00	.....	.....	311 67	.....	.....	200 00	.....	.....	.....
4	5 65	1950 00	.....	84 30	.....	.....	160 00	.....	4 95	.....
5	100 00	.....	.....	120 00	.....	.....	174 00	.....	.....	.....
6	.....	.....	.....	50 95	17 50	.....	100 00	.....	.....	1 34
7	.....	.....	.....	45 00	.....	.....	68 60	.....	20 00	.....
8	.....	2413 83	.....	325 44	.....	.....	212 00	.....	.....	115 75
9	370 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	130 65	.....	.....	.....
10	.....	.....	.....	34 00	.....	.....	59 97	.....	.....	.....
11	.....	.....	.....	123 00	10 00	.....	140 25	.....	.....	.....
12	40 00	.....	.....	130 00	24 00	.....	202 00	.....	.....	.....
13	36 00	4659 78	.....	60 00	.....	.....	25 50	.....	.....	1 52
14	101 95	.....	.....	129 45	48 00	.....	110 00	.....	8 00	.....
15	24 15	.....	.....	155 00	25 00	.....	134 10	.....	.....	.....
16	90 00	.....	.....	20 00	.....	.....	52 65	.....	.....	.....
17	1535 00	.....	.....	150 00	27 00	.....	106 07	.....	.....	.....
18	14 25	.....	.....	79 76	.....	.....	110 00	.....	.....	.....
19	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
20	24 00	.....	.....	55 68	.....	.....	2 17	.....	.....	.....
21	35 00	.....	.....	40 25	.....	.....	65 00	.....	.....	.....
22	40 00	.....	.....	30 00	.....	.....	60 00	.....	.....	.....
23	75 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30 00	.....	.....	.....
24	200 00	.....	100 00	216 31	52 70	.....	209 25	.....	72 00	.....
25	.....	310 00	.....	78 59	12 25	.....	60 00	.....	.....	.....
26	.....	.....	.....	90 00	22 00	.....	150 00	.....	.....	.....
27	.....	.....	.....	100 00	3 00	.....	145 90	.....	1 00	.....
28	60 00	.....	.....	353 72	120 23	.....	260 00	.....	.....	.....
29	156 35	314 75	.....	250 76	.....	.....	130 00	.....	50 00	.....
30	.....	.....	.....	236 00	17 00	.....	225 00	.....	.....	.....
31	.....	.....	.....	248 00	37 00	.....	93 05	.....	.....	.....
32	121 00	.....	.....	210 00	.....	.....	200 00	.....	.....	13 50
33	60 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	60 00	.....	.....	.....
34	16 00	.....	.....	86 00	2 50	.....	14 00	.....	17 00	.....
35	.....	.....	.....	119 72	5 50	.....	156 97	.....	.....	.....
36	480 00	.....	.....	135 60	.....	.....	175 00	.....	.....	.....
37	.....	.....	.....	150 00	.....	.....	24 35	.....	.....	.....
38	295 00	.....	.....	165 00	15 00	.....	173 35	.....	54 50	16 50
39	220 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	175 47	.....	.....	.....
40	286 00	.....	.....	72 00	2 00	.....	52 95	.....	.....	.....
41	25 00	.....	.....	170 00	.....	.....	140 00	.....	.....	.....
42	149 79	.....	.....	34 00	.....	.....	50 00	.....	.....	.....
43	100 00	2500 00	.....	350 00	25 00	.....	265 00	.....	.....	.....
44	25 00	.....	50 00	94 96	15 00	.....	150 00	.....	.....	.....
45	.....	.....	.....	165 00	.....	.....	185 64	.....	88 14	.....
46	142 24	.....	.....	43 81	2 00	.....	150 00	.....	.....	.....
47	75 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	100 00	.....	.....	.....
48	50 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	140 00	.....	75 00	.....
49	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9 00	.....	.....	.....
50	29 00	.....	.....	193 43	35 00	.....	81 20	.....	8 00	.....
51	.....	.....	.....	174 03	14 20	.....	240 00	.....	.....	2 00
52	30 00	700 00	.....	85 00	.....	.....	58 00	.....	.....	.....
53	63 70	.....	.....	131 57	.....	.....	81 45	.....	.....	.....
54	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
55	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	$5302 58	$ 12848 36	$ 150 00	$5939 69	$ 545 38	.....	$6233 04	.....	$ 398 59	$ 150 61

	FIELD OF LABOR	Special Home Missions	Special Church Erection	Special College	Special Bonebrake Seminary	Y. P. S. C. E. Offerings (not for Budget)	Jr. & Int. C. E. Offerings (not for Budget)	Brotherhood (not for Budget)	Children's Day (not for Budget)	Special S. S. Work.	W. M. A. Contributions
1	Avena	$	$12 50	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$
2	Blue Mound		15 00								
3	Birds										
4	Beecher City		17 00			21 13			1 54	2 00	
5	Bluford										35 00
6	Charleston	2 53				15 00	16 00			2 00	42 00
7	Chesterville	3 69								3 00	18 34
8	Casey Sta	22 50	48 00								
9	Casey Cir										
10	Clarksburg		16 23								
11	Danville Sta						8 00				50 00
12	Danville Cir		200 00								65 00
13	East St. Louis						11 50				12 00
14	Flora Sta	43 00	79 00			33 00	22 20		3 00	3 00	
15	Flora Cir										
16	Findlay										
17	Fisher	12 93	5 00	2 40	10 00				4 37		
18	Galton		34 00								
19	Hamletsburg										
20	Johnstown										
21	Loogootee										
22	Locust Grove									5 00	5 00
23	Longview										
24	Lawrenceville				1 50		17 05	12 50			63 16
25	Mt. Vernon			1 60							
26	Marshall								12 00	9 00	38 60
27	Martinsville								4 10		
28	New Hebron	11 72								6 07	149 33
29	Oakwood									5 00	
30	Olney Sta	10 00	20 00			17 00	11 00			14 00	63 00
31	Olney Cir									10 00	
32	Oblong	15 00									39 45
33	Otterbein										
34	Pesotum										
35	Potomac				12 40						
36	Penfield						6 50		5 00		
37	Paris										
38	Parkersburg										
39	Redmon										141 00
40	Rossville					20 00			2 20	2 50	
41	Robinson										79 00
42	Rose Hill										
43	Sumner		200 00	100 00			10 00				20 00
44	St.FrancisvilleSt.	30 00				25 00	15 00			7 00	34 55
45	St.FrancisvilleCr										
46	Toledo					2 00					7 00
47	Vergennes										
48	Vermilion					5 00			5 00	16 00	90 00
49	White Heath										
50	Woodriver					20 00	2 00				55 27
51	Westfield Sta										330 71
52	Westfield Cir										
53	Yale		110 10								
54	Prairie Chapel										
55	Champaign-Urb.										
	Totals	151 37	756 83	104 00	$23 90	158 15	119 25	$12 50	$37 21	$84 57	$1338 41

	Otterbein Guild Contributions	Homes and Orphanages	For Temperance Cause	Evangelistic Work	Bible Cause	Miscellaneous	Ministerial Aid	Total for all Purposes	Church Houses	Built this Year	Value
1	$	$	$	$ 20 00	$	$	$	$ 796 69	2		$ 2600 00
2								377 25	1		2500 00
3			16 00	241 39		22 44		2034 00	5		5500 00
4		4 00	84 70	6 25				3144 17	3		5300 00
5								1433 00	5		6100 00
6	10 00		3 47			282 00	3 05	1685 09	1		1600 00
7			10 05	30 00		2 75		865 56	1		1700 00
8	70 00		25 00	136 40				5186 15	1		25000 00
9				19 00				1346 65	4		4000 00
10								643 20	2		1800 00
11	50 00		35 00	125 00				1953 25	1		11000 00
12				92 00		16 00		1843 00	3		9200 00
13		1 90	7 50	313 85				6747 30	1		21004 00
14		115 00	2 00					2037 43	1		2000 00
15								1332 63	4		3000 00
16							6 10	978 75	2		2900 00
17		10 00	64 22	41 94		106 00		2990 18	2		9500 00
18		14 50	13 00	55 50		7 50	6 00	1153 50	1		1000 00
19								12 00	2		3500 00
20				38 00				482 26	4		4000 00
21		2 00					4 80	951 70	4		4400 00
22			10 00	5 00				847 05	1		2000 00
23			43 00	120 00				1151 00	2		2700 00
24	78 15			497 00		65 00		3251 84	2		12000 00
25			4 50				2 64	1392 33	1		7500 00
26	5 00			37 16		51 75		1704 63	3		8000 00
27			28 00					1124 77	4		8000 00
28	44 33		2 57	24 00		37 40	7 90	2953 41	4		9000 00
29				94 00				2129 65	5		5900 00
30	26 00		5 00			60 00		2524 00	1		7500 00
31				120 00				1066 05	4		6000 00
32							8 00	1871 60	1		2000 00
33				55 00				781 80	4		4300 00
34				9 00				763 50	2		4000 00
35			4 75			5 00		1483 97	2		4700 00
36		8 00					5 77	1891 95	3		4400 00
37								1290 35	1		7400 00
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1	Avena	$	$ 2600 00	1	$ 800 00	$	$ 800 00	12	25
2	Blue Mound		2500 00					12	15
3	Birds		5500 00	1	1200 00		1200 00	12	60
4	Beecher City	550 00	4750 00	1	400 00		400 00	12	30
5	Bluford		6100 00	1	1500 00		1500 00	12	50
6	Charleston	536 00	1064 00					12	40
7	Chesterville		1700 00	1	1800 00		1800 00	11½	30
8	Casey Sta	5500 00	19500 00	1	2500 00		2500 00	12	50
9	Casey Ct		4000 00					12	30
10	Clarksburg		1800 00	1	600 00		600 00	12	20
11	Danville Sta		11000 00	1	3000 00	1100 00	1900 00	12	25
12	Danville Ct	300 00	8900 00					12	60
13	East St. Louis	15109 00	5830 00	1	2500 00	715 00	1785 85	12	25
14	Flora Sta		2000 00	1	1600 00	300 00	1300 00	12	40
15	Flora Ct		3000 00	1	1300 00		1300 00	12	50
16	Findlay		2900 00	1	1000 00		1000 00	12	30
17	Fisher		9500 00	1	2000 00		2000 00	12	30
18	Galton		1000 00	1	1000 00		1000 00	12	15
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20	Johnstown		4000 00					12	40
21	Loogootee		4400 00	1	1200 00		1200 00	12	50
22	Locust Grove		2000 00	1	1600 00		1600 00	12	15
23	Longview		2700 00	1	850 00		850 00	6	30
24	Lawrenceville		12000 00	1	2800 00	700 00	2100 00	12	50
25	Mt. Vernon	1665 00	5835 00					12	15
26	Marshall		8000 00	1	3000 00	204 00	2800 00	12	40
27	Martinsville		8000 00					12	35
28	New Hebron		9000 00	1	1000 00		1000 00	12	75
29	Oakwood		5900 00	1	900 00		900 00	12	40
30	Olney Sta	825 00	6675 00	1	3500 00		3500 00	12	40
31	Olney Ct		6000 00					8	75
32	Oblong		2000 00	1	1000 00		1000 00	12	50
33	Otterbein		4300 00					10	30
34	Pesotum		4000 00	1	1000 00		1000 00	12	20
35	Potomac		4700 00	1	1300 00		1300 00	12	30
36	Penfield		4400 00					12	50
37	Paris		7400 00	1	2000 00		2000 00	9	35
38	Parkersburg		5300 00	1	1000 00		1000 00	12	50
39	Redmon		13000 00	1	1200 00		1200 00	12	50
40	Rossville	3300 00	7000 00	1	1600 00		1600 00	12	15
41	Robinson		4000 00	1	3000 00		3000 00	12	50
42	Rose Hill		3600 00					12	20
43	Sumner		32000 00	1	1700 00		1700 00	12	75
44	St.Francisville St.	400 00	8100 00	1	1100 00	650 00	450 00	12	20
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46	Toledo	62 00	7338 00	1	850 00		850 00	12	25
47	Vergennes		5200 00	1	750 00		750 00	12	50
48	Vermilion		5400 00	1	1300 00		1300 00	12	35
49	White Heath		1975 00	1	1500 00		1500 00	12	15
50	Woodriver	800 00	2100 00					12	25
51	Westfield Sta		15000 00	1	1500 00		1500 00	12	50
52	Westfield Ct		7400 00					12	40
53	Yale		4800 00	1	750 00		750 00	12	40
54	Prairie Chapel								
55	Champaign-Urb								
	Totals	$ 29047 00	$327932 00	39	$ 59100 00	$ 3669 00	$ 55431 00	608½	1945

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS

Organized Churches, 138.

Itinerants, 71, local preachers, 8. Total, 79.

Members at beginning of year, 11,597; end of year, 12,008; gain, 411.

Christian Endeavor Societies, 69, gain, 1; members, 2,338, gain, 40; Junior Christian Endeavor Societies, 22, gain 0; members, 770, gain, 131.

Sunday schools, 132; enrollment, 13,414; teachers and officers, 1,456; gain in enrollment, 281.

Telescopes taken, 1,046; loss, 55; Watchwords taken, 1,678; gain, 45; Woman's Evangels taken, 430; gain, 104.

Church Houses, 136; value, $356,979.

Parsonages, 39; value, $59,100.

Finances—Pastors' salaries, $32,293.88; Conference Superintendent's salary, $1,541.73; local current expenses, $9,734.19; local church and parsonage repair, $5,302.58; for new churches, $12,848.36; for new parsonages, $150.00; for local Sunday-school purposes, $5,939.69; for local Christian Endeavor expenses, $545.38; benevolence budget, $6,233.04; conference church extension, $398.59; special foreign missions, $150.61; special home missions, $151.37; special church erection, $756.83; special Bonebrake Seminary, $23.90; Christian Endeavor offerings (not for budget), $158.15; Junior and Intermediate (not for budget), $119.25; Brotherhood (not for budget), $12.50; Children's Day (not for budget), $37.21; special Sunday-school work, $84.57; Women's Missionary Association contributions, $1,338.41; Otterbein Guild contributions, $496.52; homes and orphanages, $563.48; for temperance cause, $456.76; evangelistic work, $2,488.40; miscellaneous, $2,898.93; Preachers' Aid, $101.57; total for all purposes, $95,708.13.

NOTES

The examination of ministers in the Reading Course began at 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, August 14.

The Boundary and Finance Committee met at 1:30 on Tuesday.

The Seminary Extension program began on Tuesday evening and a number of papers were read during the Conference.

Dr. J. M. Phillippi, editor of the Religious Telescope, gave a stereopticon lecture on Friday evening describing the Otterbein Home. The Christian Endeavor rally was held on Saturday evening, Rev. O. T. Deever, Christian Endeavor Secretary, making the principal address. The W. M. A. rally was held on Sunday afternoon, the principal speakers being Miss Mary Brawner and Mrs. J. Hal Smith.

The general officers present during the Conference were: Dr. J. S. Kendall, Christian Stewardship Secretary; Dr. A. C. Siddall, Church Erection Secretary; Dr. J. M. Phillippi, editor of the Telescope; Rev. O. T. Deever, Christian Endeavor Secretary.

Admitted to advisory seats in addition to the above were: Dr. J. E. Shannon, Conference Superintendent of White River Conference; Rev. L. D. Watts, of Northern Illinois Conference; Dr. W. E. Snyder, Conference Superintendent of Indiana Conference; Rev. J. W. Settle and Rev. Ernest Roberts, ministers in Indiana Conference; Rev. R. L. Fletcher, of Northern Illinois Conference; Pres. I. J. Good, of Indiana Central University.

Introduced to the Conference and courtesies of the Conference extended were: Rev. R. R. Marquis, pastor of the Presbyterian Church of Lawrenceville; Rev. O. L. Markham, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Lawrenceville; Miss Imogene Quinn, an evangelist in the Free Methodist Church; Miss Julia Campbell, of Chicago, an employee of the Travelers' Aid Society; Mrs. J. Hal Smith, returned missionary; Rev. B. S. Billings, president of the Methodist Protestant Conference; Rev. Robert Griffin, a former member of the Conference; Rev. A. Darnell, a minister in the Methodist Protestant Church, and Miss Mary Brawner, one of our missionary workers in New Mexico.

There were present at the Conference thirty-six active itinerants, two superannuated itinerants, four supernumerary itinerants, eight local preachers, and six quarterly conference preachers; total fifty-six preachers present.

There were thirty-nine of the fifty-three lay delegates elected present during the Conference.

The following absent members sent letters which were read to the Conference: D. C. Ade, J. A. Smith, W. L. Duncan, G. W. Bonebrake, H. W. Broadstone, G. W. Keller, Z. H. Byard, P. B. Newman, and B. B. Phelps.

CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

[Official Record.]

FIRST DAY, WEDNESDAY—MORNING SESSION.

The sixtieth session of Lower Wabash Conference convened in the United Brethren church at Lawrenceville, Illinois, Wednesday morning, August 15, 1917, with Bishop H. H. Fout in the chair.

The Bishop had charge of the devotional service, Rev. W. L. Perkins leading the singing and Revs. T. D. Spyker and J. C. Fowler leading in prayer. The Bishop read from the first and third chapters of the book of Joshua, after which he gave a short address, emphasizing the importance of the pastor's calling and vocation. This was followed by prayer by Rev. J. B. Connett.

The roll call of the Conference members followed and was responded to by thirty-eight ministers and nine lay delegates.

By motion, the auditorium of the church was made the bar of the Conference.

By motion, C. C. Rider was elected Conference chorister for the day sessions.

By motion, the Bishop was authorized to appoint a committee of three as official reporters for leading papers that come into the territory of the Conference.

By motion, the printed program was made the official program of the Conference, to be followed as nearly as possible.

The Conference Superintendent's report was given and adopted. See the report on page 32.

Following the report, the Superintendent gave a few words of explanation regarding his physical condition and words of appreciation to the Conference for their kindness and sympathy shown. This was followed by prayer by Rev. J. T. McCreery.

By motion, the chair was instructed to appoint a committee to draft resolutions of appreciation of the Conference Superintendent's labors. Revs. J. C. Fowler and J. T. McCreery were appointed.

The Bishop read the names of the following as the official reporters for the Conference as above arranged: Revs. W. L. Perkins, B. N. Sypolt, and W. L. Blackwell.

The Bishop read the following organization committees:

On Devotion—J. B. Norviel, J. T. McCreery, Elmer Brunson.

Candidates for the Ministry—J. B. Connett, E. M. Pierson, T. H. Decker.

Conference Relations—W. L. Perkins, I. S. McIver, W. O. Albert.

Elders' Orders—J. C. Fowler, N. E. Royer, R. B. Hall.

Memoirs—T. D. Spyker, H. D. Hudson, J. F. Fowler.

Auditing Accounts—C. C. Rider, B. F. Dotson, Paul E. Blakney.

Nominations—W. R. Seitzinger, Daisy Bowman, W. L. Blackwell.

The roll of those on the inactive list was read and reports given and letters read to the Conference.

By motion, the secretary was instructed to send letters of greeting to Rev. S. Mills and Dr. D. R. Seneff.

By motion, the names of L. M. Cooper and W. W. Whitby were referred to the Committee on Conference Relations.

A paper on the Seminary Extension program was read.

Adjournment. Benediction by Rev. T. Walters.

FIRST DAY, WEDNESDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The devotional service was in charge of Rev. H. D. Hudson.

Miss Elizabeth Thomson was appointed by the chair as committee on the Otterbein Home. He also appointed the following as a board of ushers and tellers: Revs. Arthur Belden, Leo B. Venatta, H. S. Reese, and Paul E. Blakney.

The report on Temperance was read and approved. See the report on page 36.

The report on the Christian Home was read and approved. See the report on page 38.

Papers on the Seminary Extension were read.

Pastors' reports were reviewed.

The Conference male quartet sang beautifully.

The Bishop appointed Revs. C. O. Myers and H. S. Reese to take the places of Revs. W. L. Duncan and L. H. Cooley on the

Second Year's Reading Course Committee and Rev. J. E. Spencer to take the place of Rev. G. W. Bonebrake on the third year's course.

The minutes of the day's proceedings were read and approved.

Adjournment. Benediction by Rev. W. R. Muncie.

SECOND DAY, THURSDAY—MORNING SESSION.

Devotion was conducted by Rev. H. S. Reese.

Letters from absent members were read.

By motion, the request of Rev. W. L. Duncan was referred to the Committee on Conference Relations.

The report on Christian Endeavor was read and approved. See the report on page 39.

Pending approval, addresses were given by Revs. J. B. Connett and E. M. Pierson.

The report of the Committee on First Year's Reading Course was read and approved. See the report on page 39.

By motion, the election of the Conference Superintendent was set for two o'clock p.m. on this day.

Pastors' reports were reviewed.

The Conference male quartet sang beautifully at this time.

An address was given by Dr. J. S. Kendall regarding the Four-Year Program as outlined by the General Conference.

The report of the Committee on Candidates for the Ministry was read and approved. See the report on page 41.

Pending approval, Rev. J. B. Connett spoke appreciatingly of the class of young ministers.

Adjournment. Benediction by Dr. W. E. Snyder.

SECOND DAY, THURSDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Devotion was conducted by Rev. Paul E. Blakney.

The report of the special Committee on Resolutions of Appreciation of the Conference Superintendent and his work was read and approved. See the report on page 42.

The report of the Committee on Conference Relations was read and approved. See the report on page 42.

The report of the Committee on Third Year's Course of Reading was read and approved. See the report on page 40.

The election of Conference Superintendent was held, resulting as follows: Rev. W. L. Perkins, 46 votes; Rev. J. B. Connett, 31 votes; Rev. J. B. Norviel, 1 vote; Rev. S. O. Stoltz, 1 vote; Rev. W. L. Perkins being elected.

Tender words of acceptance were spoken by Reverend Perkins.

Dr. J. M. Phillippi addressed the Conference on the Publishing Interests of the Church.

The report on Church Erection was read and approved. See the report on page 43.

Pending approval, Dr. A. C. Siddall addressed the Conference on Church Erection.

An address was given by Dr. J. E. Shannon, Conference Superintendent of White River Conference, on Evangelism.

The Bishop appointed the following committee on the Four-Year Program for the Conference: Revs. J. B. Connett, W. L. Perkins and J. B. Norviel, and Messrs. C. C. Rider and Cyrus Weekly.

The report of the Committee on Fourth Year's Reading Course was read and approved. See the report on page 41.

The minutes of the day's proceedings were read and approved.

Adjournment. Benediction by Dr. J. E. Shannon.

THIRD DAY, FRIDAY—MORNING SESSION.

Devotion was conducted by Rev. F. C. Aungst.

Bishop Fout addressed the Conference upon the 150th Anniversary of the Isaac Long Barn meeting, describing the origin and growth of the United Brethren Church.

The Conference male quartet sang to the delight of all.

The roll of Conference members was called and was responded to by fifty ministers and thirty-eight lay delegates.

The report of the Nominating Committee was read but was referred back to the committee with instructions to place in nomination nine ministers and nine laymen for the Council of Administration.

The report of the Board of Trustees of Westfield College was read and approved. See the report on page 44.

Pending approval, touching addresses were given by Rev. W. L. Perkins, Prof. W. R. Shuey, and Dr. J. M. Phillippi.

The revised report of the Nominating Committee was read and approved. Report not printed.

The report of the Committee on Four-Year Program for the Conference was read and approved. See the report on page 50.

Pending approval, Dr. J. S. Kendall addressed the Conference on the subject.

By motion, the Conference Superintendent was instructed to have the Four-Year Program for the Conference printed and handed to the ministers before the close of the Conference.

By motion, the goals and aims of the Four-Year Program, as outlined by the General Conference, were authorized printed in the Minutes. See them on page 51.

Adjournment. Benediction by Rev. Oscar Smith.

THIRD DAY, FRIDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Devotion was conducted by Rev. J. E. Sibert.

Mrs. Paul E. Blakney favored the Conference with a beautiful vocal solo.

Fraternal greetings from the Methodist Protestant Conference were given to the Conference by Rev. B. S. Billings, president of the Conference.

Response was made by Rev. J. B. Norviel.

By motion, Rev. J. B. Norviel was appointed the fraternal delegate from this Conference to the Methodist Protestant Conference to be held at Sugar Grove church, fourteen miles northeast of Paris, September 5, 1917.

A paper on the Seminary Extension program was read.

The report of the Committee on Boundary and Finance was read and approved. See the report on page 53.

A resolution favoring union of Lower Wabash and Northern Illinois conferences was presented by Rev. J. B. Connett and was adopted. See the resolution on page 56.

The Conference male quartet again sang.

The report on Foreign Missions was read and approved. See the report on page 56.

Pending approval, Mrs. J. Hal Smith addressed the Conference, telling of the actual Foreign Mission conditions.

The report on Home Missions was read and approved. See the report on page 57.

Pending approval, Dr. A. C. Siddall addressed the Conference on the subject of Home Missions.

An address was given by Miss Julia Campbell, telling of her work in Chicago in connection with the Travelers' Aid Society.

Adjournment. Benediction by Rev. Robert Griffin.

FOURTH DAY, SATURDAY—MORNING SESSION.

The report on Sunday-school Interests was read and approved at the Friday evening session. See the report on page 59.

SATURDAY MORNING.

Devotion was conducted by Rev. W. K. Pierson.

By motion, the matter of giving credit to Rev. Arthur O. Ramsey for his study and graduation from the Moody Bible Institute and placing him in the Reading Course was referred to the Council of Administration.

The Bishop appointed the following as a Committee on Seminary Extension program assignments for next year: Revs. J. B. Connett, I. S. McIver, and R. B. Hall.

The report on Second Year's Reading Course was read and approved See the report on page 40.

The report of the Committee on Memoirs was read and approved. See the report on page 60.

The report of the Committee on Elders' Orders was read and approved. See the report on page 60.

The report of the Conference Treasurer was read and approved. See the report on page 60.

Pastors' reports were reviewed.

The report on Christian Stewardship was read and approved. See the report on page 61.

The report of the Laymen's Meeting was read and adopted. See the report on page 63.

The Conference male quartet favored the Conference with a selection.

Addresses by the old guards of the Conference present at this session, Rev. W. R. Muncie, having joined the Conference forty years ago, and Rev. T. D. Spyker, having become a member of the Conference thirty-nine years ago, were given, telling of their experiences in the early days. The quartet sang "The Old Time Religion" and were followed by a number of familiar songs by the congregation, while all present came forward and shook hands with the older members of the Conference.

The election of the Conference officers was held.

Adjournment. Benediction by Rev. J. B. Norviel.

FOURTH DAY, SATURDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Beneficiary Aid Meeting was held at 1:30, after which Conference again convened.

By motion, Rev. J. E. Rowe was granted a transfer to Indiana Conference and Rev. P. B. Newman to Iowa Conference.

The report on Education was read and approved. See the report on page 64.

Pending approval, President I. J. Good, of Indiana Central University, addressed the Conference on the subject of Education.

By motion, it was unanimously voted that Lower Wabash Conference co-operate with Indiana Central University.

By motion, it was decided that the Conference elect a Board of Trustees for Indiana Central University and the Nominating Committee was instructed to prepare a list of nominees for the office.

The report on Otterbein Home was read and approved. See the report on page 64.

The report on Publishing Interests was read and approved. See the report on page 66.

The memorial service, as planned, was held. Rev. T. D. Spyker presided. Rev. W. R. Muncie gave the memorial address in memory of Rev. J. B. Connett's father and son and Miss Daisy Bowman's father. The male quartet sang beautifully.

Bishop Fout again called the Conference to order for the transaction of business.

The roll was called and the itinerant list corrected.

By motion, the locating of the next session of the Conference was committed to the Council of Administration.

The result of the election of Conference officers was read by the Bishop. See the list of officers elected on pages 2 and 3.

The report of the Statistical Secretary was read and approved. See the Summary of Statistics on page 19.

By motion, the Recording Secretary was instructed to have the charges numbered on each page of the Statistical Chart.

The report of the Auditing Committee was read and approved. See the report on page 67.

By motion, the letters of Dr. C. W. Brewbaker, Dr. S. S. Hough, and Dr. Wm. E. Schell were ordered printed in the Minutes. See them on pages 68, 69, and 70.

The report of the committee appointed to receive and grade the Seminary Extension papers for the past year was read and approved. See the report on page 70.

By motion, the Standard of Efficiency was re-indorsed and was ordered printed in the Minutes. See the same on page 71.

By motion, the expense of printing and carriage of the new Efficiency Books was given into the hands of the Council of Administration.

The report of the Seminary Extension Program Committee for making the assignments was read and approved. See the report on page 72.

The report of the Treasurer of Parsonage and Building Association was read and approved. See the report on page 73.

The report of the Nominating Committee for the Board of Trustees of Indiana Central University was read and the vote taken by ballot.

Adjournment, with final adjournment to be at the close of the Sunday evening service. Benediction by Rev. T. D. Spyker.

The new disciplines not being ready at Conference time, the division of labor by the Reading Course Committees could not be made and licentiates are asked to write the chairman of the committee regarding the arrangement made.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

Sunday school was held at 9:30. There were 481 present. Offering, $14.18.

The Bishop preached at 10:45 from the text, II. Tim. 2: 19. It was a forceful sermon and caused all in the large audience to get a firmer grasp on the things that are eternal.

The service was made more inspirational by the singing of the local choir and the Westfield male quartet.

Annual Conference licenses were given, together with splendid words of admonition and advice by the Bishop to Charles A. Curtis, Arthur O. Ramsey, Leo B. Venatta, F. C. Aungst, and Arthur Belden.

The following then received ordination, the Bishop being assisted by Revs. J. B. Norviel and W. L. Perkins—Miss Sarah D. Bowman, R. L. Webber, and G. W. Padrick.

An offering was taken for Conference Home Missions which amounted to $750.51 in cash and pledges.

The report of the Stationing Committee was then read. See the report on page 75.

AFTERNOON.

The W. M. A. rally was held at 3:00 o'clock, a large audience being present. Mrs. H. V. Anderson, branch president, presided. The speakers were Miss Mary Brawner, missionary worker in New Mexico, and Mrs. J. Hal Smith, returned missionary from Africa.

A short session of the Beneficiary Aid Association was held at 5:00 o'clock.

EVENING.

A love feast and communion service was held at 7:30, Rev. W. L. Perkins, Conference Superintendent, and Rev. J. B. Norviel, Ex-Conference Superintendent, presiding.

In connection with this beautiful and impressive service the report of the tellers upon the election of Indiana Central University trustees was read and approved. See the result of the election on page 3.

The report of the Committee on Resolutions was read and adopted. See the report on page 74. A rising vote of thanks was given the Lawrenceville people, after which Rev. Mr. McCreery, the host, in a beautiful way thanked the Conference for the helpfulness they had brought.

The report of the treasurer of the Beneficiary Aid was read in the Beneficiary Aid meeting, but was overlooked in being presented to the Conference, but is given with the reports. See it on page 75.

In a very impressive manner, the Conference Superintendent, Rev. W. L. Perkins, presented Rev. T. Walters with a purse, a gift from the Conference. Rev. Mr. Walters responded in a few brief words of thankfulness.

Rev. J. B. Connett preached in the Methodist Episcopal church in the evening service.

The Conference closed with the statement upon every lip that this had been one of the best conferences of Lower Wabash.

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CONFERENCE SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

Bishop H. H. Fout, D.D., and members of the Conference:

Another year with its burdens, toils, sorrows, and joys, is now behind us and has become history. Just how much good may have been accomplished this year can never be known this side of heaven's sure revelations, but I trust that some little good has been done, and a little credit for all may be found in our heavenly Father's book of remembrance in glory.

This Conference is composed of fifty-three charges, with a new class organized in Urbana, eighteen stations and thirty-five circuits. Eight of these are supported in part by the home funds and two jointly by the Conference and the Board of Home Missions.

At the last session of Conference a pastor was appointed for each of these charges, but for various causes several pastors quit their fields of labor during the year and the work has to some extent suffered.

J. H. Easton, by his own request, was given Hamletsburg, but he never went near the charge after Conference.

T. H. Decker and C. O. Myers were returned to their charges, but after preaching one Sunday and not finding things to their liking, each came to my home, the same day and hour, and gave their resignations. I then immediately changed them, placing Myers on Fisher and Decker on Galton charge. Each one has labored faithfully and has had a very good year.

L. H. Cooley resigned Chesterfield, March 31; Sarah D. Bowman was appointed and has served most efficiently balance of year.

G. W. Padrick resigned Locust Grove at third quarter and the charge was without a pastor until Conference.

G. W. Ball resigned Longview about March and T. C. Shortridge was appointed to fill vacancy. He served most acceptably and well to the close of year.

Otterbein was resigned by Elias Kauble, then by E. J. Shepherd, but the third man, Monroe Tate, was a stayer and brings a fair report to this Conference.

G. W. Bonebrake resigned Paris soon after Conference and was succeeded by Dr. H. M. Tipsword, who also quit the field some eight or ten weeks before Conference. By not having a leader to look after the finance, the report on benevolences will be bad at Paris.

Edward E. Boley resigned Olney Circuit soon after Conference, and a man from Indiana and the Methodist Episcopal Church, by

the name of Elijah Scarber, was appointed. He was a total stranger to me, but highly recommended by our pastor at Orleans, Indiana, and by Superintendent Doctor Snyder. Scarber ran well for awhile, having about one hundred and fifty conversions on the charge, but he is not well balanced; is visionary and is without denominationalism; one church is fully as good to him as another, if not a little better, but he will never know which is the best until he has tried them all. He is now preaching for the Christian Church, which is the fourth denomination he has preached for.

After the resignation of Scarber, I appointed Willard Osman, but he did not contract with the charge and they were without a pastor for about ten weeks.

I know there could have been other resignations had the pastors so determined, but, for some reason, only twelve resignations were given during the entire year.

OUR RESOURCES.

The northern part of this Conference is unsurpassed in all the world in rich, black, and productive land, and has produced a splendid crop this year. The southern part of the State is not so rich in fertile soil, but has large, extensive coal fields; also rich oil fields and our people are sharing in the blessings of each of these great industries. This territory is great in opportunities for the horticulturalist, and agriculture is not bad, but this year the Lord has wonderfully blessed this territory; hay, wheat, oats. and corn are fine. I never saw such crops grow in southern Illinois as there are this year. Surely our people in the rural districts have nothing to complain of, and much to praise God for. Every pastor's salary should be increased and the people will be derelict of duty and unappreciative for God's marvelous temporal blessings if they do not pay more money to the Lord's cause.

ORGANIZATIONS.

There are one hundred and forty class organizations, one hundred and thirty-nine are in church houses and one is in a schoolhouse. Forty-eight of these churches are in cities, towns, and villages and ninety-two are in the country.

Of the fifty-three charges in the Conference, thirty-nine have parsonages for pastors to live in, fourteen have no place for a pastor to move into. How very much we need a good parsonage on each charge.

A few charges are too large for convenience and best results; but unless something else can be added, these charges cannot be changed. We need a good evangelist in the field, to bring in some new charges and revive some old ones that are languishing. This should be done as a matter of equity in support, increased service, and general advantage to the work.

NEW CHURCH PROPERTY.

Beecher City church was dedicated in the winter by Doctor Phillippi. This is a beautiful house of three rooms and fine basement; it cost about $3,500 and is a real gem of beauty and a credit to our good people at Beecher City.

East St. Louis church house has finally been completed and was dedicated in March by our good Bishop Fout. This is a good house, costing about $20,000; it looks well both inside and out; it is surely a monument to this Conference, and ought to give us much prestige in East St. Louis.

About two years ago, the Nazarene people came into Oakwood and started a union mission; later they built a substantial, but small frame church house and after using said house for about one year, they had reverses and the little class was disbanded and the Superintendent ordered the house sold for debt. I made two or three trips to Oakwood; we elected a board of trustees and the last Sunday in March we dedicated this house to the Lord and United Brethrenism.

This house is a good frame building, is well seated, had stove, organ, and electric lights and was all ready for service when it came into our hands. The debt on this house was $321, due in June; we raised more than this amount on day of dedication and I am glad to say that subscription has been paid, debt all canceled and the church is free.

Blue Mound church house burned down in January and not a dollar insurance; this house will not be rebuilt. Saulsbury church house burned down last fall, but there was insurance, which has greatly assisted them in building. They have to-day a better, neater church than the old one and it is ready for dedication.

Westfield College burned down in May, leaving our people without a place of worship. They have $10,000 and a fine subscription and will build a beautiful house; they are just ready to begin the erection of this house and expect to complete the basement for service this winter. This will be a beautiful house when complete, perhaps the best in the Conference.

Prairie Chapel on Sumner charge has about $3,000 on subscription and will build a neat little church house. This will make four new houses on this charge in as many years.

Oak Grove church on Fisher charge is undergoing extensive repairs. A full basement has been completed and a furnace is to be installed. The house is to be plastered entirely, except metal ceiling, new floor, new seats, windows are to be changed and art glass used, the rear of the house is being set back and large choir and pulpit alcove made, the front is also being set out and a fine up-to-date belfry with porch made. This house will be the same as new, the estimated cost is $2,500.

CONVERSIONS AND ADDITIONS.

Only three pastors failed to have some revival, but several had extensive revivals; about 1,500 conversions and 1,250 additions, making a fair showing for the Conference and about ten per cent. more than a year ago. Olney Circuit, New Hebron, and Lawrenceville are the only charges passing the hundred mark in the number of conversions. But other pastors have been just as faithful and earnest and deserve the same credit, although their showing is not quite as good.

LITERATURE.

There will not be much change in the various periodicals of the Church, but I fear the Telescope list will not be quite up to last year. The Sunday-school literature, the Watchword, and the Evangel will not suffer decrease, but should have a slight gain. Three new classes have been organized.

Hugh S. Neese, a quarterly conference preacher, but not in charge of a pastorate, held a revival at Oak Ridge on Westfield Circuit and organized a class of thirteen members. This place has had a church house standing for several years without Sunday school or meeting of any kind. This revival has started them to work and now they are having a good Sunday school and want regular preaching next year.

I organized a little class of nineteen members in the Y. M. C. A. in Champaign. I think the prospect is good for United Brethrenism in the twin cities. The other new class organized is Oakwood, of which I have spoken.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

I would recommend for sale the following abandoned property: Huss Chapel, Ballou, No. 9, and Fairview churches, also Avena.

I would recommend to the annual conference for license, Rev. L. B. Venatta, Rev. Arthur Belden, Rev. C. A. Curtis, and Rev. Arthur O. Ramsey. Brother Ramsey has just graduated from the Moody Bible School and was recommended by his quarterly conference to the annual, provided his school work permits this arrangement. The others have all passed their quarterly conferences and were duly recommended for annual conference license.

Five young men have been given quarterly and one lay license, one young woman was given deaconess license.

PERSONAL.

I have tried to do the very best I could for the Lord and the Church during the year. The pastors have been most kind to me, especially during my affliction, many of them writing and tendering their service. I am very sure my labors have been at best but poor, but because of my affliction, I have been much hindered

in my work, but God has been good to me and so precious. My brethren, both lay and ministerial, have been so kind and good; they have even borne with my mistakes as well as my infirmities, and have been of much help and comfort to me. Many of the pastors have held their own quarterly conferences and several of the ministers have assisted me in quarterly conferences, for which I desire to thank them with all my heart.

In presenting this, I am presenting my seventh annual report to the Conference, three as Presiding Elder and four as Superintendent of the entire Conference. I feel that this is my last report, as I cannot under any condition permit my name to be used for Superintendent again—to try it again would be equivalent to digging my own grave. Therefore, I most earnestly, but kindly, request you not to vote for me.

Believe me, my brethren, that I am not unthankful for your great kindness to me and the honor you have conferred upon me. I have not deserved it, nor been worthy of it; but I shall ever give my splendid, great-hearted brethren a warm place in my heart and I crave just a little place in your hearts and memory.

May God bless you and keep you and preserve you faultless until the day of his coming.

In dropping out of the work of superintending the Conference, I do so with the greatest possible respect for all my brethren; there is not one of you that I do not love and respect.

I have labored with the Bishop through the entire quadrennium and feel I am a better man because of his great zeal, splendid counsel and love. May God spare this good and great man for years to electrify and bless this Church.

Respectfully submitted.

J. B. Norviel,

Conference Superintendent.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

That the saloon and intemperance is the gigantic evil of the day, and that it is this great sin that is a menace to the welfare of our country and the world, is a settled fact in the mind of every sober and intelligent thinking person.

The Church of the United Brethren in Christ has always stood for pure and clean living; and has considered it her duty to raise her voice against such evils as the saloon and the liquor traffic. We should seek, therefore, as ministers and laymen to put forth our best efforts to aid in the overthrow of this evil, by our means, by our preaching, and by our vote.

Nothing to-day is more degrading and more destructive to our country and people than the organized liquor traffic. No other

business on the face of the globe has such a tremendous tendency to destroy our nation. It starts at the White House and journeys down the line to our regular army; blighting the lives of our Senators and Representatives, our army officers, our men in the infantry, our cavalrymen, our artillerymen, and last of all she has set up shop inside the walls of our Soldiers' Homes, and offers the defenders of our flag and nation the drugs that hasten their death and kill their souls.

The liquor traffic is a menace to good society, and our common wealth in general. It is the weevil that eats out the heart of society, and renders it unfit for God and for man. It is a moth that cuts the fine threads of the texture that goes to weave the pattern of a great nation. It is a cutworm that twines about and cuts off the characters of our brightest American boys and girls, and sends them down the road to ruin and perdition. It is the grub that bores into the heart of all nations, and saps out the vital forces of morality, righteousness, and common decency.

It has crept into the homes of our cities, and stolen away our girls, the gems of our nation, and placed them in bawdy houses and places of shame.

It has gone into our rural districts, and robbed them of their boys, the strength of our land, and imprisoned them in gambling hells and brothels.

It is no respecter of parties, persons, or communities; it forces its way upon our lawyers, our doctors, our merchantmen, and our statesmen, and blights, hardens, and destroys their minds.

It is a thief that has broken into the treasure house of our country and robbed it of the greatest name that any country ever laid claim to, that of Christian. It is a cancer that preys upon our State legislature, and eats out the vitality of our senatorial body. It is like the Pharaoh of old, opposing, oppressing, and slaying that which is pure and good. And, finally, it sneaks into our cellars, our larders, and pantries, and steals away the bread, meat, and vegetables that should go to feed the poor and needy.

But a brighter day is dawning; the Anti-saloon League and sober, thinking men have opened the eyes of the people, and our nation is fast approaching a new era in which it will be a saloonless nation, with the liquor traffic abolished; and the slaves of intemperance set at liberty; when decent men and women can walk the streets of our cities and our country roads without being accosted and insulted by some demon, the victim of rum.

When homes will be happy that once were unhappy because of intemperance. When wife and children who once feared the homecoming of father and husband will no longer dread his coming, but will look with eager eyes and hearts for the day to end, when

father will return from his labor with a smile for each instead of a frown and a curse.

When a locality, once a hell because of strong drink and the saloon, will have become a paradise where men and women will love to live and a stranger will no longer have a dread of passing through.

When the nation over which Old Glory waves can truly say, "The land of the free and the home of the brave."

Therefore, let us as ministers and laymen of Lower Wabash Conference, as we see these things coming to pass, put our shoulders to the wheel and help push the Water Wagon along. Let us so resolve to do.

T. H. Decker, Committee.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN HOMES.

It is a true saying that "The stream cannot rise higher than its fountain." The morality of our nation and the spirituality of the church will never rise above that of the home. It is the Christian home that gives us the prestige of a Christian nation; and where you find a community of homes that are spiritual, you are sure to find a spiritual church—one that is at peace and a power for God. But it has its fountain, humanly speaking, in the Christian home.

Henry W. Grady, the great southern orator, said to a friend when he looked for the first time upon the White House at Washington, "That, sir, is the home of my nation." But a few days later he was traveling through the Southland and stopped over night at a plantation where the planter and his wife were Christians; and in the evening when they gathered the children about them and read together the Bible and prayed, then Mr. Grady said: "I was mistaken when I said that glistening pile of marble at Washington was the home of my nation; the home of my nation is the homes where the Bible is read, where Jesus Christ is respected, where God is honored and the children are taught to pray."

A Christian home—a home in which Christ delights to be—and what have we? We have the salt of the earth, the light of the world.

Joshua declared: "As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord." How many parents can speak for their homes as Joshua did for his? The decision has been made in Joshua's house, and he did not allow public career or pleasure to interfere with the duties he owed to his family. In many homes there are darkness, bitterness, and strife, all because Jesus is not enthroned.

What makes a home? An altar. Without that altar, culture and comfort and a thousand advantages will fail to build a home. But with that altar—fire lit, all the poverty and trouble and dis-

couragement and sin of the universe cannot destroy that home. Death itself is mocked by those who daily read the words of Him who was the Resurrection and the Life.

This is the hour for America to build up the altars of Jehovah. This is the hour in which to challenge the haste and hurry and greed and unbelief and the shallow pleasures of the world by a trumpet call to fathers and mothers to rally around the home-altar for the salvation of the children of the nation.

Let us as ministers strive earnestly to erect a family altar in every home, around which father and mother, brothers and sisters may daily present their "bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is their reasonable service."

N. E. Royer, Committee.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

The Endeavor Society is a bright star in the spiritual firmament that has pointed out the way of service to thousands of our young people. May it continue to shine brighter and brighter until every life yet untouched and untrained may be influenced to that larger life of service and devotion to Jesus Christ that alone meets the demands of the Word and the call of the present age.

We recognize the Sunday school as the greatest agency in saving the lost and leading them into the church; but the Christian Endeavor Society stands at the very threshold to direct into channels of service and equip for leadership in every department. How necessary then that the Society have our support.

Much is being said about the conservation of the young life of to-day. The Endeavor Society is the solution of the problem of conservation; then why should it plead for a place of recognition?

We are glad for the place accorded the secretary and this department by the General Conference. We are very proud of past accomplishments, and welcome Doctor Deever back as our leader for this quadrennium, and bespeak larger things for the future.

Now to the goals. Doubtless all are familiar with them. They can be realized. The Endeavorers of the Conference must do their part. Pastors must give their influence to it. With cooperation all along the line we will realize the greatest quadrennium of service and accomplishment in the history of our beloved Church. May God grant it.

Respectfully submitted,

B. F. Dotson, Committee.

REPORT OF FIRST YEAR'S READING COURSE.

The class consists of B. C. Peters, Elias Kauble, Essie Henry, and L. J. Powell.

Essie Henry and L. J. Powell met the committee and gave reasonable excuses for not being prepared to pass on the course and asked to be continued in the course for another year. We recommend that the requests be granted.

B. C. Peters and Elias Kauble did not meet the committee. We recommend that they be continued in the course.

W. R. Muncie,
J. B. Connett,
B. N. Sypolt,
Committee.

REPORT OF SECOND YEAR'S READING COURSE.

We, your Committee on Second Year's Reading Course, submit the following:

The class consists of W. R. Seitzinger, W. O. Stonebraker, and Everett E. Johnson.

These appeared before the committee and made the following grades:

W. R. Seitzinger—Church History, 96%; The Preacher, 98%.

W. O. Stonebraker—Church History, 84%; The Preacher, 95%; Galatians, 80%; Fundamentals of Child Study, 85%; Christian Views of the Old Testament, 95%; I. Timothy, 98%; II. Timothy, 96%; Titus, 93%; Sermon, 85%; making a general average of 90 1/9%.

We recommend that W. O. Stonebraker, having passed the course, and Everett E. Johnson, a student in Bonebrake Theological Seminary, be passed to the Third Year's Course. And that W. R. Seitzinger be retained in the Second Year.

Respectfully,
L. E. Miller,
C. O. Myers,
H. S. Reese,
Committee.

REPORT OF THIRD YEAR'S READING COURSE.

We, your Committee on Third Year's Reading Course, would submit the following report:

The class consists of C. W. Perkins and W. K. Pierson.

These two brethren appeared before the committee and passed upon the following books:

C. W. Perkins—Church History, 86%; Philippians, 95%; Amos, 97%; Biblical Criticism, 96%; System of Christian Doctrine, 95%; Pastor Preacher, 90%; Psychology, 95%; Sermon, 98%.

W. K. Pierson—Church History, 96%; Philippians, 96%; Amos, 90%; Biblical Criticism, 90%; System of Christian Doctrine, 90%; Pastor Preacher, 95%; Psychology, 90%; Sermon, 90%.

W. C. Perkins making a general average of 95% and W. K. Pierson, 92½%, we recommend that they be passed to the Fourth Year's Course.

J. C. Fowler,
J. E. Spencer,
J. T. McCreery,
Committee.

REPORT OF FOURTH YEAR'S READING COURSE.

We, your Committee on Fourth Year's Reading Course, would submit the following:

The class consists of Sarah D. Bowman, G. W. Padrick, and R. L. Webber.

These appeared before the committee and made the following grades:

Sarah D. Bowman—Ethics, 98%; Jesus and the Gospels, 100%; Apologetics, 100%; Christian Nurture, 100%; Sermon, 95%.

G. W. Padrick—Ethics, 85%; Jesus and the Gospels, 87%; Apologetics, 79%; Christian Nurture, 80%; Christian Doctrine, 70%; Building of the Church, 73%.

R. L. Webber—Ethics, 78%; Jesus and the Gospels, 80%; Apologetics, 80%; Christian Nurture, 80%; Christian Doctrine, 77%; Building of the Church, 85%.

They having completed the course, we recommend that they be referred to the Committee on Elders' Orders.

W. L. Perkins,
R. B. Hall,
I. S. McIver,
Committee.

REPORT ON CANDIDATES FOR THE MINISTRY.

We, your Committee on Applicants for the Ministry, submit the following report:

There appeared before the committee Revs. Arthur Belden, Leo B. Venatta, Arthur O. Ramsey, Charles A. Curtis, and F. C. Aungst.

We found them each clear in doctrine and harmony with the polity of the Church, each of them being up to the requirements of the discipline on education or its equivalent.

Brothers Belden, Venatta, Curtis, and Aungst having passed the Quarterly Conference Course and being properly recommended,

we recommend that they be received into the Conference; and Brother Ramsey having graduated from the Moody Bible Institute, of Chicago, we recommend that he be received into the Conference.

We also recommend that any one graduating from the Moody Bible Institute be given some credit, whatever the Conference may decide upon, in the Annual Course of Reading.

Respectfully,
J. B. Connett,
T. H. Decker,
E. M. Pierson,
Committee.

RESOLUTIONS OF APPRECIATION.

WHEREAS, Our worthy Conference Superintendent, Rev. J. B. Norviel, who for thirty years has been a member of Lower Wabash Conference, three of those years he has served as Presiding Elder and four years as Superintendent of our Conference; and in his report at this Conference, he declines to be a candidate for re-election because of his personal affliction.

Resolved, that the Conference hereby express its appreciation of his valued and efficient service and regret that he is forced to give up this office that he has filled so faithfully and well.

We will pray God's richest blessings to rest upon him and assure him that he will not be forgotten by the members of the Conference.

Respectfully submitted,
J. C. Fowler,
J. T. McCreery,
Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE RELATIONS.

The following three men appeared before the committee:

C. T. Shortridge, a minister of the Nazarene Church. His papers from said church were examined and found correct.

Monroe Tate, a member of the Kentucky Conference. His credentials were found correct.

Sylvester Barker, a member of the Kentucky Conference. We find that he has taken a three years' reading course in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

In the case of Reverend Shortridge and Reverend Tate, we recommend that they be received into the Conference and be required to take the four years' course of study.

In the case of Reverend Barker, we recommend that he be admitted to the Conference and be required to take the third and fourth year's course of study.

We recommend that the names of L. M. Cooper and W. W. Whitby be stricken from the roll.

We recommend that W. L. Duncan be granted an open transfer as per his request.

W. L. Perkins,
W. O. Albert,
I. S. McIver,
Committee.

CHURCH ERECTION.

We believe that Church Erection is one of the vital and far-reaching interests of the Church and is absolutely necessary to make permanent the progress of the Church and the Kingdom of God.

It stands side by side with all of our home and foreign missionary interests, for we cannot hope to maintain ourselves as a church, and advance the Kingdom of God among men, unless we have a permanent place of worship for our people, for the day has passed when we can worship in schoolhouses, halls, and public buildings; a church home for God's people is as necessary as a home for a family.

A man who would refuse to provide a home or shelter for his family would be censured at the bar of public opinion for his failure to do so. So if the Church fails to meet its obligation to Church Erection, whose purpose it is to help every needy congregation, where it is possible to a place of worship, will stand before God with his disapproval resting upon them.

We rejoice in the great work that has been done through Church Erection throughout the entire Church, but more especially do we appreciate what Church Erection has done for Lower Wabash Conference. Some of our best churches which are now the pride of our Conference, and a joy and blessing to those who worship in them, stand as a living testimony of what the Church Erection Society has done for us in helping us to build them.

We therefore express our appreciation of all the help we have received from the Church Erection Society and hereby pledge ourselves anew to this great department, which is so vital to the Church; we also express our appreciation of the splendid work being done by our efficient secretary, Dr. A. C. Siddall, and we further recommend that all our congregations who have a loan from the Church Erection Board endeavor to pay the same as they become due, that other congregations may receive help that they so much need.

We trust that God may open the hearts of our people to contribute of their means for Church Erection until every congrega-

tion in our Church may be provided with a house in which to worship.

J. C. Fowler,
Committee.

REPORT OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF WESTFIELD COLLEGE.

WHEREAS, At a meeting of the Board of Trustees of Westfield College, held in the Baptist church in Westfield, Illinois, at 3 p.m., July 10, 1917, the following proceedings were had with reference to the disposition of the property held by the Westfield College, to-wit:

CALL FOR MEETING.

Westfield, Illinois, June 29, 1917.

Dear Brother:

Owing to the total destruction of Westfield College Building by fire on last Wednesday night, an immediate session of the Board of Trustees is imperative. You are therefore hereby notified that the Board of Trustees of Westfield College will meet at 3 p.m. on Tuesday, July 10, in the Baptist church in Westfield, Clark County, Illinois.

C. E. Bigelow.
Official Secretary of the Board of Trustees of Westfield College.

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF WESTFIELD COLLEGE.
THE BAPTIST CHURCH, WESTFIELD, ILLINOIS, JULY 10, 1917

The Board of Trustees of Westfield College met in the Baptist church, Westfield, Illinois, at 3 p.m. July 10, 1917, with the following members present:—M. L. Briscoe, T. D. Spyker, J. B. Norviel, W. R. Shuey, C. E. Bigelow, H. V. Anderson, L. A. Rider, Harry Mills, D. E. Baer, A. E. Kosht, F. N. Munch, Peter Main, J. C. Peck, and L. A. Rider, the official president, presiding. After prayer by Bishop H. H. Fout, Dr. D. R. Seneff, and Rev. J. B. Norviel, there being a quorum present the board proceeded to the transaction of business as follows:

The following report of the current expense treasurer, W. H. Drewel, was read and approved:

June 13, 1916, balance	$ 198.33
Received	1604.28
	$1802.61
July 10, 1917, paid out	1776.05
Balance	$ 26.56

Due College on Current Expense Funds:

United Brethren Publishing Company, interest	$316.25
Westfield Township High School, rent	925.00
M. L. Briscoe—music tuition	74.15
C. E. Bigelow—music tuition	56.75

R. G. Newell—balance rent	$ 56.06
Emerson Mann—sewer outlet	36.49
J. H. Parker—sewer outlet	36.49
H. V. Anderson—sewer outlet	36.49
Charles Goble—sewer outlet	36.49
	$1574.17

The College owes on Current Expense:

Stevens Bros.—furnace	$631.35
A. G. Russell	143.62
David Sweezey "Annuity Note"	300.00
Potter "Annuity Note"	100.00
	$1174.97

The following report of the Endowment Fund's Treasurer, Samuel Spelbring, was read and approved:

June, 1916—Balance of cash	$362.00
July 3, 1916, Received from Ladies' Aid, Westfield, Ill.	32.00
Aug. 15, 1916, Received from Ladies' Aid, Westfield, Ill.	43.00
July 10, 1917—Cash on hands	$437.00

Notes for loans made as follows:

United Brethren Publishing House	$6325.00
Ernest R. Shuey	400.00
Ernest R. Shuey	2000.00
John R. Shuey	400.00
W. C. Briscoe	1000.00
Total—cash and loans	$10562.00
Approximate amount of interest due	420.00
	$10982.00

Notes given by Westfield College to Endowment Fund, $8,000 of which is secured by second mortgage on the College Building.	$12402.45
Amount of old pledge notes of original donors	2930.00

Deed to 40 acres of Potter land in Pike County, Ill. Dated July 10, 1917, by Samuel Spelbring, treasurer.

The minutes of the sessions of the Executive Committee were read and approved.

The local church interests were presented by Dr. D. R. Seneff, a trustee of the local church of the United Brethren in Christ of Westfield, Illinois, in a concise way and a request made that the Board of Trustees of Westfield College grant the local church the entire insurance amounting to $10,000 and the college campus with all that is on it free of any and all incumbrances.

Moved by D. E. Baer and seconded by J. B. Norviel that the Board of Trustees of Westfield College grant the request of the local church. After favorable remarks by a number of trustees the motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

On motion of W. L. Duncan, the president and the secretary of the Board of Trustees of Westfield College in lieu of certain just claims of Westfield local church are hereby authorized and instructed to execute a deed and a release of second mortgage to the Trustees of the Church of the United Brethren in Christ at Westfield, Illinois, for the land described as follows:

Blocks numbers forty-five and forty-six and the strip of land sixty-six feet wide lying between said blocks numbers forty-five and forty-six extending from Mulberry Street to South Street, all in the town or village of Westfield, Clark County, Illinois, known as the Westfield College Campus; also to transfer all insurance funds or moneys to said Board of Church Trustees. The motion was put and carried by unanimous vote.

The minutes of this session were read and adopted. On motion of T. D. Spyker the board adjourned to meet at 8 p.m.

L. A. Rider, President.
C. E. Bigelow, Secretary.

8 P.M. (EVENING SESSION).

The Board of Trustees of Westfield College met in the Baptist church, Westfield, Illinois, with a quorum present and L. A. Rider presiding. Prayer was offered by Rev. T. D. Spyker. On motion. the present executive committee consisting of H. V. Anderson, L. A. Rider, W. R. Shuey, Samuel Spelbring, Harry Mills, M. L. Briscoe, W. H. Drewel, James Dawson, C. E. Bigelow, and W. L. Duncan were re-elected for the ensuing year by acclamation.

On motion, L. A. Rider was elected official president of the Board of Trustees of Westfield College, C. E. Bigelow was elected official secretary, Samuel Spelbring was elected treasurer of the Endowment Funds, and W. H. Drewel treasurer of the Current Expense Funds. All of the foregoing elections were by acclamation and unanimous.

By motion, it was decided that upon adjournment of the Board of Trustees all unfinished business be left in the hands of the Executive Committee.

On motion of J. B. Norviel, duly seconded and carried by unanimous vote, it was ordered that the college treasurer on the order of the president and secretary of the Board of Trustees pay such outstanding obligations as may yet remain unpaid, or as may be incurred in the closing up of the corporation's business; then turn into the respective treasuries of the Northern Illinois and Lower Wabash conferences, as the law governing the case

provides, in equal amount the remaining assets of the incorporation, said assets to include moneys, real estate, and notes, and other obligations, if any; which being done, the said conferences are hereby requested to ratify at their coming sessions the acts of this board's final session.

On motion, it was voted to pay non-resident trustees their actual expenses in attending the board meeting. On motion, the minutes of this session were adopted.

Prof. W. R. Shuey asked the privilege of the floor and spoke earnestly and tenderly of the wonderful helpfulness of the college to the thousands of students scattered throughout the world and of the precious memories and loving associations of the students of many years. A sweet sadness mingled with joy fell upon all as the wonderfully calm and blessed words fell like a benediction from the lips of one whose whole life was woven into the warp and woof of the years of unexcelled service of the dear, old institution, and a man whom every one loves and respects. It was a moment such as only occasionally comes to lift men above the cares and turmoils of earth and give them a momentary vision of the celestial with all its blessedness and happiness.

Brothers Duncan, Baer, and Spyker made brief remarks as to the helpful associations and wonderful service of Westfield College and the local church in the conversion of hundreds of souls. After singing "Oh, How Sweet It Will Be" very touchingly, the Board of Trustees adjourned with prayer by W. R. Shuey.

L. A. Rider, President.
C. E. Bigelow, Secretary.

In accordance with the acts of the Board of Trustees of Westfield College, as set forth in the foregoing minutes of the said Board of Trustees, we, L. A. Rider, president of the Board of Trustees of Westfield College, and C. E. Bigelow, secretary of the Board of Trustees of Westfield College, have released all mortgages against the property of said institution and have made a warrantee deed to blocks, numbers forty-five and forty-six and the strip of land sixty-six feet wide lying between said blocks, numbers forty-five and forty-six, extending from Mulberry Street to South Street, all in the town or village of Westfield, Clark County, Illinois, and known as the Westfield College Campus, to the trustees of the local United Brethren church of Westfield, Illinois, and have transferred the insurance money to the said Board of Church Trustees.

In addition to this, we have made equitable, and as nearly as possible, equal division of all the remaining assets of Westfield College between the Lower Wabash Conference and the Northern Illinois Conference of the United Brethren in Christ as set forth

in the following attached sheets which assets as thus set forth will be transferred to the respective treasurers of these conferences when the acts of the Board of Trustees of Westfield College and the acts of the said L. A. Rider, president of the Board of Trustees of Westfield College, and the acts of said C. E. Bigelow, secretary of the Board of Trustees of Westfield College, are ratified by both said Lower Wabash conferences, and said Northern Illinois Conference of the Church of the United Brethren in Christ in their respective annual sessions in the year of our Lord 1917.

ORIGINAL ENDOWMENT NOTES FOR LOWER WABASH CONFERENCE.

	Notes	Interest	
J. L. Brandenburg	$ 30.00	$ 9.00	
H. F. Brewbaker	100.00	24.00	
B. Bierbaum	25.00	10.00	
L. H. Cooley	100.00	24.00	
L. H. Cooley	10.00	2.40	
James Dawson	25.00	13.00	
Robert Griffin	100.00	18.00	
A. H. Garver	25.00	4.50	
M. Honderick	50.00	15.00	
A. E. Kosht	60.00	10.80	
H. W. Lashbrook	100.00	70.80	
W. R. Muncie	25.00	9.00	
J. T. McCreery	50.00		
J. B. Norviel	100.00	30.00	
A. J. Kirkpatrick	5.00	3.60	
G. W. Ried	100.00	30.00	
L. A. Rider	100.00	18.43	
N. E. Royer	100.00	55.00	
G. E. Snearly	100.00	6.00	
S. O. Stoltz	100.00	28.00	
J. R. Shuey	25.00	1.50	
W. C. Smith	100.00	24.00	
E. R. Shuey	100.00	36.00	
		Total	$1973.53
One-half interest in open accounts			46.28

GOOD COLLECTIBLE NOTES FOR ENDOWMENT FUNDS LOANED.

E. R. Shuey	$ 400.00	$17.00	
E. R. Shuey	2000.00	46.00	
J. R. Shuey	400.00		
United Brethren Pub. House	1775.36		
		Total	$4638.36

Cash	Endowment Funds	$718.50	
	Current Funds	304.85	
		Total	$1023.35

One-half interest in a lot in Vinita, Washington.
Value unknown.
One-half interest in s.e. ¼ of s.w. ¼ of Sec. 17.
T. 4 s. Range 4 w. being 40 acres at $50 estimated value. $1000.00

Grand Total $8681.52

One-half of $8,100 death notes of doubtful value.

Lower Wabash Conference upon the delivery of these assets assumes liability for one-half of the annuity notes as follows:

David Sweezey	$300.00
Thomas Potter	100.00
Interest on the above	60.00 more or less.

ORIGINAL ENDOWMENT NOTES FOR NORTHERN ILLINOIS CONFERENCE.

	Notes	*Interest*
C. A. Canedy	$ 10.00	$ 6.00
W. E. Cooper	10.00	5.40
J. Q. Dickensheets	100.00	48.00
G. W. Downs	10.00	6.60
J. H. Davis	25.00	12.00
T. C. Eiler	100.00	18.00
S. J. Graves	100.00	36.00
Lucy Gray	50.00	36.00
D. O. Griffin	15.00	5.40
W. G. Garrison	15.00	9.00
W. R. Henderson	100.00	72.00
C. A. Hall	100.00	72.00
B. B. Phelps	10.00	4.20
S. E. Long	100.00	24.00
W. M. McCommas	100.00	26.00
D. P. McCoy	5.00	2.70
O. L. Minter	25.00	16.50
O. L. Minter	25.00	12.00
V. W. Overton	100.00	30.00
M. Oakley	10.00	7.20
J. M. Phillippi	100.00	24.00
J. A. Robinson	100.00	36.00
W. N. Sherrill	10.00	3.65
J. J. Sell	50.00	3.00
C. O. Sherrill	5.00	2.10
J. P. Watson	95.00	72.00
Mrs. Fred Williams	10.00	6.00
		Total $1975.75

One-half interest in open accounts.....46.28

GOOD COLLECTIBLE NOTES FOR ENDOWMENT FUNDS LOANED.

United Brethren Publishing House	$4638.36
Cash Endowment Funds	718.50
Current Funds	304.84
One-half interest in a lot in Vinita, Washington. Value unknown.	
One-half interest in s.e. ¼ of s.w. ¼ of Sec. 17 T. 4 s. Range 4 w. 40 acres at $50 estimated value	1000.00
Grand Total	$8683.72

One-half of $8,100 death notes of doubtful value.

Northern Illinois Conference upon the delivery of these assets assumes liability for one-half of annuity notes as follows:

David Sweezey	$300.00
Thomas Potter	100.00
Interest on the above	60.00 more or less.

AND, WHEREAS, It is desirous on the part of the Lower Wabash Conference of the United Brethren in Christ in conference assembled at Lawrenceville, Illinois, on this day, August 17, 1917, to ratify, confirm, and approve all and every act and acts of the Board of said Trustees of the said Westfield College at a meeting held in the Baptist church in Westfield, at 3 p.m., July 10, 1917, with reference to the disposition of the property of said Westfield College. Therefore be it resolved by the Lower Wabash Conference of the United Brethren in Christ in conference here assembled at Lawrenceville, Illinois, on this August 17, 1917, that we do by these presents ratify, confirm, and approve all and every act and acts of the Board of Trustees of the Westfield College at their meeting held on July 10, 1917, in reference to the disposition of the property of the said Westfield College as above set forth, and we do hereby particularly ratify and confirm all and every act and acts of the Board of Trustees of Westfield College in reference to the conveyance of the real estate and the releasing of the mortgages and the conveyance of all other property of Westfield College by the said Board of Trustees of the Westfield College as above set forth, and hereby confirm title of said real estate on the grantees of the Board of Trustees of the said Westfield College, and hereby ratify and confirm all and every act and acts of the Board of Trustees of Westfield College as above set forth, at their meeting as above set forth.

REPORT ON FOUR-YEAR PROGRAM.

The Committee on Four-Year Program submit the following:

We concur most heartily in the action of the last General Conference in the goals fixed for the present quadrennium, thus challenging the whole Church to the heroic, and gladly accept our part of the challenge.

In order that this program may be realized we fix the following goals for the present year and pass them on to our people:

Our slogan—Onward together for Christ and the Church.

First—Spiritual quickening. Every member of the Church spiritually quickened.

Each member organized and enlisted for service.

That each local church make a social survey of the immediate community in which it is operating with a view to reaching the unchurched masses.

Family worship in every home.

Second—Increased membership. Fifteen hundred souls won for Christ. Eight hundred net increase in church membership, no less than five per cent. increase.

Increase in Sunday-school enrollment of 1,000; with no school having less than six per cent. gain in enrollment.

Increase in Christian Endeavor membership of 500.

Third—Education.

An average of one student, for every charge, in our schools.

At least five additional trained leaders during the year.

Five-fold Method to Make Effectual This Program.

The five-fold program by which, under the Holy Spirit, each individual and each local church shall be guided shall be: Devotion, Evangelism, Education, Service, and Finance.

How to Realize Goals.

Get ready—by securing and imparting to others information.

By appointing in each local church a consecrated Four-Year Program Committee, which committee shall co-operate with the pastor in making the program of the quadrennium most effectual.

By the use of charts and tracts giving facts and figures to our people.

By thorough organization in each church and Sunday school with a view to co-operative service.

By making the every-member canvass for current expense and benevolence budget in every local church, emphasizing proportionate giving and tithing.

We recommend that the Telescope and the United Work Quarterly be widely circulated among our people as the readiest and most up-to-date sources of information.

That the Telescope subscription be increased at least 150.

THE AIMS AND GOALS OF THE FOUR-YEAR PROGRAM, AS OUTLINED BY THE LAST GENERAL CONFERENCE.

The aim of this Four-Year Program is to meet the challenging opportunities before our denomination at home and abroad as we pass the one-hundredth anniversary of our first General Conference and begin a new century of organized church life.

This is to be realized through the vitalization of our church membership and by leading our forces into such a courageous advance in evangelism, education, mission, and individual activities as shall arrest attention and secure the largest growth and efficiency of every department of our local churches and so strengthen our departmental work and institutions as to greatly itensify our united influence upon America and the world.

Goals.

1. The entire membership of every local church spiritually quickened, organized, and enlisted in various forms of service; through prayer and personal effort winning 150,000 to Christ and the Church at home and abroad and 100,000 net increase in church membership; twenty-five per cent. increase in enrollment and membership of the Sunday schools and Christian Endeavor societies.

2. Our institutions of learning enriched and strengthened as training agencies for Christian service through an increase of 2,000 students, 500 additional trained ministers, missionaries, and educational leaders, $2,000,000 in new funds for endowment and equipment.

3. For missions, home and foreign, and church erection, Board of Education and seminary, exclusive of special funds indicated in the preceding, Sunday schools, Christian Endeavor, Conference extension, orphanages, homes, and other benevolences beyond the bounds of the local church, the sum of $700,000 for the first year, $800,000 for the second year, $900,000 for the third year and $1,000,000 for the fourth year.

Suggested Ways of Reaching These Goals.

Motto: "We are workers together with God."

1. *Devotional Life.*
    1. Devotional study of the Word of God.
    2. Observing the Quiet Hour.
    3. A family altar in every home.
    4. Faithful attendance at devotional meetings of the Church.
2. *Education.*
    1. Every member informed.
    2. At least one young person attending college for every seventy-five of the membership. (Fix your own ratio.)
    3. Our young people attending our own colleges.
    4. Assume our share of the educational financial goals.
    5. Religious Telescope, Evangel, Watchword, and Sunday-school literature freely circulated.
3. *Evangelism.*
    1. Churches, Sunday schools, Christian Endeavors, Brotherhoods, and Gospel Teams organized for soul-winning.

2. One hundred and fifty thousand souls for Christ this year.
3. Membership increase of at least five per cent.
4. A revival on every charge.
5. A systematic co-operation with the Evangelistic Commission.

4. *Service.*
1. Each member have a definite prayer list.
2. An every-member fellowship canvass of church and community.
3. Each member to win at least one soul to Christ.
4. A church membership of (at least five per cent. increase), Sunday-school enrollment of (at least six per cent. increase), Christian Endeavor membership of (at least six per cent. increase).

5. *Finance.*
1. Each church working the every-member plan of finance.
2. Each charge paying in full its apportionment.
3. Stressing proportionate giving with the tithe as the minimum.
4. Organizing Tithers' Leagues.
5. Each local church treasurer reporting and remitting monthly.
6. A five per cent. increase each year in offerings to benevolence.

A program without the passion will be powerless.
A passion without a plan will expend itself uselessly.

REPORT OF BOUNDARY AND FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Your Committee on Boundary and Finance would make the following recommendations:

That Pleasant Grove class be detached from Oakwood Circuit and attached to Danville Circuit.

That Union be detached from Blue Mound Circuit and attached to White Heath Circuit.

That Oak Ridge be attached to Westfield Circuit.

That Perrysville Avenue class be placed under the care of First Church, Danville.

That the name of Avena Circuit be changed from Avena Circuit to Brownstown Circuit.

That Prairie Chapel be attached to Brownstown Circuit.

We recommend the following general budget and Conference Superintendent's salary:

Brownstown	$ 80.	$17.
Broadlands	160.	34.
Birds	200.	42.
Beecher City	160.	34.

Bluford	200.	42.
Charleston	100.	21.
Chesterville	150.	32.
Casey Station	200.	42.
Casey Circuit	200.	42.
Clarksburg	110.	23.
Danville Station	180.	38.
Danville Circuit	250.	53.
East St. Louis	50.	11.
Flora Station	120.	25.
Flora Circuit	225.	47.
Findlay	130.	27.
Fisher	180.	38.
Galton	120.	25.
Johnstown	110.	23.
Loogootee	160.	34.
Locust Grove	160.	34.
Lawrenceville	200.	42.
Mt. Vernon	70.	15.
Marshall	160.	34.
Martinsville	160.	34.
New Hebron	255.	54.
Oakwood	190.	40.
Olney Station	220.	46.
Olney Circuit	160.	34.
Oblong	195.	41.
Otterbein	155.	33.
Pesotum	110.	23.
Potomac	200.	42.
Penfield	200.	42.
Paris	170.	36.
Parkersburg	200.	42.
Redmon	220.	46.
Robinson	160.	34.
Rossville	140.	29.
Rose Hill	120.	25.
Sumner	255.	54.
St. Francisville Station	155.	33.
St. Francisville Circuit	190.	40.
Toledo	155.	33.
Vergennes	120.	25.
Vermilion	200.	42.
White Heath	150.	32.
Woodriver	85.	17.
Westfield Station	240.	50.
Westfield Circuit	155.	33.

Yale	200.	42.
Champaign—Urbana	75.	16.

We further recommend that one-twelfth of the Conference Superintendent's salary be sent by each charge to the Conference Treasurer by the twentieth of each month and that the treasurer pay the Conference Superintendent out of funds so received.

We recommend the following missionary appropriations:

Charleston	$375.
Danville	50.
East St. Louis	625.
Flora	250.
Mt. Vernon	500.
Toledo	225.
Woodriver	250.
Rossville	100.

We further recommend that fifty per cent. of the Benevolence Budget be retained in the Conference and fifty per cent. to the general interests of the Church instead of forty per cent. and sixty per cent. as heretofore.

We further recommend that our Conference join with Northern Illinois Conference in the establishment of a church in Urbana (or Champaign) and agree to furnish one-third the pastor's salary, provided that Northern Illinois Conference furnish one-third and the Home Mission Board furnish the remaining one-third. Also we agree to co-operate in the erection of a building.

We sincerely sympathize with Charleston Mission in their loss by the recent cyclone and their immediate need of better housing, and we pledge them our co-operation and support in any plans which may be inaugurated by the Superintendent, Bishop and Church Erection Secretary for their larger and more permanent development.

We recommend that the Conference Superintendent secure during the year from each charge an amount equal to one-half his salary apportioned to the charge, the same to be applied on Conference Home Missions. We also recommend that the Bishop take an offering on Sunday for the same interest.

We heartily endorse the plan of Doctor Siddall for raising Church Erection funds to be retained in the Conference where raised for a period of fifteen years and then be turned over to the general board of Church Erection. Further, we appreciate the work done by Rev. S. O. Stoltz, our Conference Church Erection Secretary, and recommend that he be continued in this capacity another year, and request our pastors and people to co-operate with him in completing the $10,000 goal for this year.

Rev. J. B. Norviel, Chairman.
C. C. Rider, Secretary.

RESOLUTION ON CONFERENCE UNION.

WHEREAS, General Conference in its recent session passed an act enabling Northern Illinois and Lower Wabash conferences to unite during the quadrennium.

Therefore, Resolved that we, the members of Lower Wabash Conference, do, by this resolution, vote in favor of union with Northern Illinois, thus creating one great Conference in the State to be called Illinois Conference.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

At the beginning of the new quadrennium the foreign missionary work of the Church of Jesus Christ, looms on the horizon of the future as possibly the most important movement ever undertaken by those who would be the world's savior. This is said in the light of present-day operations, also, because of the recent program of the last General Conference—the action on which I quote, "We record our profound gratitude to God for the marvelous victories achieved on the field through the work of our missionaries, amidst unheard-of conditions of hardships and testings, and we accept the new and unparalleled challenge which the present-world situation presents, as, the call of God to our denomination for the strengthening of our work already established and the complete occupancy of the whole field committed to us."

In view of this let me first say that, the work of evangelizing the world is not the work of a board or a few especially interested souls. It is the work of the Church of Christ in obedience to the command of our Lord, "To preach the gospel to every creature." This is the heart of the gospel as made plain in Doctor Hough's pamphlet, "The Heart of the Gospel," and is offered to you for free distribution among your people. In the second place it will be through the obedience and sacrifice of the followers of Christ that those going abroad can hope to open up highways to larger fields of success. The native church to quite an extent has been gathered and now must be thoroughly established and made more efficient in occupying the whole great areas as yet untouched. In the third place, let us clearly see and fully realize the world crisis that is upon us who must stay at home and work in our churches. The all-important call is ringing in our ears for Christians to "Seek first the Kingdom of God," and that America is especially challenged to carry forward a larger share in world evangelization since the Christian forces of Europe have been so demitted by this awful war.

Therefore let us unanimously endorse these aims:

1. The providing of $100,000 for educational facilities abroad.
2. The completion of the churches, missionary residences, hospitals, and printing plants abroad at a cost of $75,000.

3. The planting of pioneer forces within the centers of the second half of our assigned territory with its vast untouched areas containing a population of 25,001,000.

4. To meet the extraordinary needs it is our conviction that our denomination should contribute annually $175,000 to our foreign work.

5. That every church be urged to form mission study classes, say, in "Our Church Abroad," and other helpful books—information will mean inspiration.

6. That every Sabbath school in the denomination plan to observe during next February and March another period of "Five Great Sundays" which will bring no doubt other and greater and more blessed results to our Zion and the mighty Kingdom of God in the world.

Rev. W. L. Duncan, Committee.
Crawfordsville, Indiana.

HOME MISSIONS.

I take it from our Lord himself that missionary propaganda is centrifugal—from the center out. "Ye shall receive power when the Holy Spirit is come upon you; and ye shall be my witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth." Acts 1:8. It is clear Jesus meant that a disciple's witness-bearing begins at home. Until one has gone home to his friends and told what great things the Lord has done for him he need scarcely expect to be sent far hence to the Gentiles. Once he has witnessed at home there is no scriptural ground for circumscribing testimony. The Church is not to stop at home, but certainly she is to begin there. No other community has any claim on a church until she has witnessed in her own.

The outposts of the army cannot survive, much less operate successfully without a strong home base from which to draw supplies.

Twelve years ago the Home Missionary Society was organized as a separate department of our denominational activity. During that time she has wrought well. When we consider the meager assets, both in workers and funds, with which the society began work, the only answer to the marvelous success had, is that she is in harmony with the Divine plan.

The last quadrennial report shows 120 mission pastors, seven Conference Superintendents, seven deaconesses and teachers—a total of 134 workers in sixty fields, while sixty-six fields have passed off the list, taking to the more permanent life of the Church 5,925 members. We now have a membership on our home mission fields of 14,220. For the investment of $171,201 and a few consecrated workers, there accrued to the Church during the past

quadrennium, $499,034.32 and 11,000 members. I question whether any other department, unless it be the Sunday school, has yielded such dividends. Visiting our Montana field last November, I found eleven charges and as many church houses. We are now preaching in thirty-two communities, twenty-nine of which would, but for the United Brethren mission, be without the gospel. Personally, I can say, the Montana field presents the most inviting field for our Church that I have ever visited. Three hundred and twenty-two fields have been assisted by the society, eighty city missions launched; more real missionary history has been written in the past twelve years than in nearly half century prior to the organization of the Home Missionary Society. In twelve years our missions received in appropriations, $390,622.91. In return they have reported 34,145 accessions to the Church and for all purposes, $1,122,495. For every dollar invested $3 has returned.

In this brief report I take no account of the permanent assets in church buildings, parsonages, schoolhouses, etc., nor of the unmeasured influence upon American life in the moulding of future citizenship by the Sunday schools and Christian Endeavor societies, which, if weighed, would far exceed in spiritual value all the figures given. Home missions and through home missions, world-wide missions, is the Master's plan.

Happy the Church that gives herself without reserve to His way of religious work. A few simple resolutions may stimulate us to renewed appreciation of the faithfulness of our leaders in the past and challenge us to even closer co-operation with those who assume leadership in the future. Therefore be it resolved:

First—We fully appreciate the faithful, untiring, and successful leadership of the society during the infant period of its history, Rev. Charles Whitney, D.D., the retiring secretary.

Second—In view of what the society has done in the past, we are inspired with the hope of still larger possibilities in the future, for the realization of which we pledge to the new secretary, Rev. P. M. Camp, D.D., our prayers, sympathy, and closest co-operation.

Third—We are not unmindful of what the society has done for Lower Wabash Conference, and in the certainty of her greater future, beg to share even more largely in the assets of the society in the years to come.

This need is paramount since Lower Wabash is so largely mission territory.

Fourth—We recognize the faithful, too meagerly remunerated service of our home missionaries, and assure them a fond part in our thinking and a real place in our prayers.

Fifth—We are pleased with the idea—we think it must have originated in the soul of our good Bishop Fout—that the society arrange for a great celebration of one hundred and fiftieth anni-

versary of the meeting of Otterbein and Boehm, same to be observed by the raising of $100,000 for home missions.

Respectfully submitted.

W. L. Perkins.

REPORT ON SUNDAY-SCHOOL INTERESTS.

As pastors and laymen we are gathered together in another Annual Conference to give a report of the work done in the past year and to plan for larger and better work for the coming year. But of all departments and work of the Church there is none greater than the Sunday school. Therefore your committee presents the following report:

The Sunday school is indeed a great arm to the Church. Its growth has been wonderful. From a little group of students in a pin factory district in England, gathered together by Robert Raikes in July, 1780, it has grown into a great army, until now millions are gathered together every Sunday to study the Word of God and thereby receiving a religious education.

Yet there is a glorious opportunity and a tremendous responsibility resting upon the leaders of the Church and Sunday school, because while these millions are studying the Word of God, millions are yet outside that should be reached and brought into the fold.

The responsibility is greater to-day because the Bible is barred from the public schools and the religious instruction in the homes is very scarce: therefore, if the child receives a religious education, the Church must give it through the Sunday school. The Sunday school is indeed a great factory for moulding character.

Our Sunday schools are greatly in need of consecrated workers. The Sunday school has plenty of talent but it is not consecrated. There are too many lopsided Christians. They think if they attend Sunday school their obligation to the Church is fulfilled and they leave before the preaching, thus setting an example that the younger ones follow and the preaching service fails to be the clinches to the Sunday-school work.

Let us notice some of the things necessary for a successful Sunday school.

1. A pastor that has a heart full of love and interest for the Sunday-school work and an interest in young life, especially in children.

2. A hustling, energetic, and consecrated superintendent.

3. Consecrated teachers, that have a deep interest in each one of their pupils. Teachers whose lives are right with God, because the life they live through the week before their scholars, tells more than what they teach on Sunday.

Let us show our appreciation of our Sunday-school staff at Dayton, by pledging them our co-operation in their plans for a larger and better Sunday school.

Let us during the coming year, endeavor to increase the enrollment, by reaching the new scholars and re-enlisting the old ones.

Dear pastors and laymen, let us pledge ourselves to grasp every opportunity to make our Sunday schools larger and better, that when this, another year, comes to a close, the Sunday school of the United Brethren in Christ shall be second to none in efficiency.

W. R. Seitzinger,
Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MEMOIRS.

Inasmuch as there have gone from our immediate relationship, the parents and son of our Brother J. B. Connett, the parents of sister Daisy Bowman and the wife of Brother S. Mills, we recommend that the Memorial Service be held on Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock and that Rev. W. R. Muncie speak in the memory of these departed ones. Also that we assure the bereaved ones of our sympathy and prayers.

T. D. Spyker,
H. D. Hudson,
J. F. Fowler,
Committee.

REPORT ON ELDERS' ORDERS.

We, your Committee on Elders' Orders, report as follows:

There appeared before this committee Sarah D. Bowman, R. L. Webber, and G. W. Padrick. We find them clear in doctrine and in harmony with the polity of the United Brethren Church, and recommend they be ordained.

J. C. Fowler,
R. B. Hall,
N. E. Royer,
Committee.

REPORT OF S. O. STOLTZ, CONFERENCE TREASURER.

Receipts.

Budget from Pastors	$6159.00
Borrowed	400.00
Collection at group meeting	2.25
Ministerial Aid from Pastors	135.31
Special to Montana	25.00
Otterbein Home	53.29
Total	$6774.85

Disbursements.

L. O. Miller	$3768.69
Interest	96.30
Paid to Pastors	1316.91
Cabinet Expenses	43.30
Printing	24.10
W. R. Funk, Agent	141.91
Postage	1.00
Treasurer's Salary	50.00
Group Expenses	3.60
Balance	1329.76
Total Receipts and Balance	$6774.85

CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP.

God's Financial System was made thousands of years ago, and was approved by Jesus Christ, and was in full force when he was upon earth, and the more we study his Word, the more we are convinced that it is still in the Divine economy for blessing his people.

And we firmly believe, because the actual experience of many thousands who have adopted this system confirms us in our faith, that if we will conscientiously go into partnership with the Lord, in giving one-tenth of our income, that he will greatly bless us spiritually, and also with temporal prosperity. Because he says so and his word has never been broken. God meant this plan of tithing for the individual, that as he was prospered in material things, giving one-tenth of his "first fruits" to the Lord, the cause of God would prosper, and the church would be greatly strengthened and blessed.

But do we not find a great lack of harmony between what God says and actual experience?

As we look over the various denominations to-day we find there is a continual struggle everywhere (where God's plan is set aside) for the minister to sustain the church, and the church to sustain the minister, financially. If God meant to fulfill his promise to the individual, who would "honor the Lord with his substance, that his barns would be filled with plenty," does he not intend that the church, which is made up of individuals shall be prospered as well as the individual?

If we take Phil. 4: 19, we see a direct declaration that all our needs shall be met; that is, when we are in complete harmony with God's plan, and quit *robbing him.*

This plan is plainly set forth in Malachi, third chapter; this chapter is a dollar and cent chapter.

It means when in harmony with God's plan there will be material prosperity. For it is a fact, that has never been refuted, that not one out of a thousand, who have conscientiously adopted the practice of giving to the Lord one-tenth, has ever failed financially. The storehouse was alongside the house of the Lord, and the children of Israel had failed to do as God required of them, therefore, the storehouse was empty and his cause was suffering. The Levites, who did not receive any real estate in Canaan, were to be supported financially by the tithes of the people. The time came, through neglect and coveteousness, when they were in need, and God said to the children of Israel, "Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed thee?" God here settles this question, for all time, when he answers:

"In tithes and offerings. Ye are cursed with a curse: for ye have robbed me, even this whole nation."

If the churches of America would obey God he would put them on the highway to success. No promise in the Bible is more certain of fulfillment, when conditions are complied with, than God's last promise in the Old Testament. The whole material universe—"heaven and earth"—would have to pass away before God would fail to fulfill this agreement, set forth in the following marvelous promise:

"Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it.

"And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, and he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground; neither shall your vine cast her fruit before the time in the field, saith the Lord of hosts. And all nations shall call you blessed: for ye shall be a delightsome land."

Not only did backslidden Israel rob Gob and have to suffer the terrible consequences, but Christians in America to-day are robbing God, and as a result there is an awful dearth in soul-saving power. God does not expect the world to sustain his cause. He does not look to the world which is out of harmony with him to do this, neither does he expect the Church to resort to unchurchly and unscriptural methods to raise money to carry on his work; anything outside of God's plan must in the nature of things be a failure somewhere along the line.

If "God's financial plan" was literally carried out by the Protestant churches of America the money would be in the

treasury each week for all current expenses and benevolent budget. And then instead of the energy, life, and vitality of the Church being spent in raising money, it could be given to soul-saving, building up believers and sending the Gospel to the dark corners of the earth.

I. S. McIver,
Committee.

REPORT OF THE LAYMEN.

Feeling that the progress of the kingdom, through our Conference, depends very largely upon the co-operation of the laity, we lay delegates offer the following resolutions:

First—That we, as laymen, promise our faithful co-operation to the pastor who is sent to our field of labor.

Second—Complaints having been made that many of the pastors are negligent in pastoral visitation, we urge each pastor to make a special effort to visit each home at least twice during each year.

Third—We further recommend that the membership of the church show more hospitality by opening their homes more freely to the pastor.

Fourth—Deploring the fact that there is a growing tendency, in many of our Sunday schools and especially in the cities, that the pupils do not stay for church, we recommend that the superintendent and teachers use their best efforts to overcome this growing evil.

Fifth—Whereas, the fourth commandment is being more and more violated, we recommend a more strict observance of the Sabbath by both ministers and laity. We appreciate the wonderful progress made in the mode of travel within the past few years, but deplore the fact that the automobile in many instances is an injury to the services of the Church. We say: "Let the automobile haul people to the church rather than away."

Sixth—It is a recognized fact that family devotion is being sadly neglected by members of the Church. As this is a most necessary element to the growth of spiritual lives as well as training up of the children, we speak in no uncertain tones that there should be a family altar in every United Brethren home.

Seventh—Whereas, the last General Conference has set up certain standards and goals known as the Four-Year Program, we, as the laity, wish to place ourselves on record as being in hearty accord with the plan and pledge ourselves to co-operate with the general officers, the officers of the Conference, and the pastors to carry out the program to the required goal.

Allan D. Mooney, Chairman.
Wm. Quigley,
Cloyd C. Rose, Secretary.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Education in its broadest and fullest sense implies the cultivation and development of the whole man—heart, mind, and body; and an education that does not include this three-fold development is defective.

A trained and developed mind in a sickly or puny body means a handicap from which there is no redemption.

A trained and developed body and mind with a neglected moral nature means a greater capacity for sinfulness, or at least for purely materialistic ideas.

If God and his Word is left out of our thought in education the whole process will prove a curse instead of a blessing.

While we recognize the value and appreciate fully our splendid public school system, from the graded school to the university, we deplore the fact that the Bible has been shut out of the school in our great State, and its inspiration and authority are sometimes questioned by teachers in our universities. It is our profound conviction that greater emphasis must be placed upon true heart culture in harmony with the teaching of the Word of God.

Therefore resolved:

1. That we will use our influence to secure such legislation as will restore the Bible to its rightful place in the public schools of our State.

2. That we will lend our best endeavor to promote and enlarge our denominational institutions of learning, in the interest of the education of the whole man, being fully persuaded that such schools are the safest and best place for United Brethren young people to attend; and the only place for "life work recruits" to attend if they wish to keep their vows and prepare for definite work in the Church.

3. We believe the time has come for Lower Wabash Conference to co-operate with some one of our educational institutions.

4. That we will co-operate to the fullest extent with Bonebrake Theological Seminary, and that we will encourage our young people who feel a call to the ministry, to do missionary work, deaconess work, or any other special line of Christian service, to seek such preparation in this institution.

J. B. Connett, Committee.

OTTERBEIN HOME.

Home, sweet home. What heart is there that does not reach out after home? That place which fills the void in the heart of every human being.

A longing for home is a natural instinct, which manifests itself very, very young. The home instinct and the necessity of home influence are recognized by lodges and various organizations of the world to-day. The church is included. But our own beloved denomination has been too slow along the line of furnishing a home for its homeless.

Home, a place for soul rest and refreshment; for training of the physical and mental powers. A place where the secrets of the heart may be revealed.

There are many in the world to-day who do not think of home only as a place to eat and sleep. The Christian ministry should teach the real value of home to its people. Our Master's life work was too short for him to provide himself a material home. He did not need it. He had to be here and there. So must the Christian minister of to-day sacrifice the joys of a stationary, material home; he must go at the call of his Lord.

The Christ work was only three short years, so different from the masses of the world.

The Christian worker is too busy or salary is too small to permit of the provision of a permanent home.

Some in the world fall to sin or they are unfortunate and do not have homes.

Shall the Church make no provision for those whoses lives are given to its service? Shall it take no note of the unfortunate? Shall it be blind to their needs?

The Church is awake. Lodge folks can no longer say the Church makes no provision for its children and its aged.

Preachers prayed. Prayers were answered. We had a home in the east, the west, on a small scale. They did not meet the needs.

God revealed some things. He made a way. Some wide-awake eyes saw it; their feet trod in it and they were led to that beautiful home of Shakerism which came into possession of the United Brethren Church and is now known as Otterbein Home.

The transfer of title taking place March 5, 1913. In gratitude and praise let the entire denomination look up to our dear heavenly Father for this beautiful home, whose very atmosphere speaks of the Creator of heaven and earth. Praise Him because those saintly old people thought more of their sacred, beloved home and of their God than dollars and cents. Thought more of the United Brethren people than the whiskey element, and were willing to make the transfer which caused them a loss in money. But not in their home, as they have been permitted to remain for some years.

Turn to the Annual of 1917 and read, "A Satisfactory Transfer by the Superintendent of the Shaker Society." Read the stirring reports the Annual contains and study the pictures; don't miss that one of our own dear children, of the Myers, Pilcher, and Fuqua families.

Is this Otterbein Home of use to Lower Wabash; to the denomination; the kingdom?

It is, my friends. It is doing the work of character building; soul developing; and giving back to those, who have lost one of earth's greatest joys—a home, sweet home. It sees well to the mental and spiritual life.

Otterbein Home is what we may truly say a real God-send. Praise his name.

It is making careful use of all of the funds which come into its treasury. Money, household goods, food, clothing, and any of the variety of things that may be donated are much appreciated and well used.

Otterbein Home is our home.

Then be it resolved:

1. That we as pastors see that each church make a Christmas offering each year to the Home.

2. That we report any possible gifts to its general management. Also encourage the giving of such gifts.

3. That we endeavor to get the Otterbein Home Annual in each home represented by our Church and read by as many others as possible.

4. That during the year we give at least one lecture with an appropriate program at each church on our charge.

5. That we encourage our people to visit the Home in person.

We are owners of this Home. It is ours. Then may we be interested in its interests and do all in our power to administer to its needs; and may it and the people there always be subjects of our devotions.

Respectfully submitted.
Elizabeth Thomson,
Committee.

REPORT ON PUBLISHING INTERESTS.

The Church of the United Brethren in Christ is purely an American Church. Its government is fashioned after that of our beloved nation, and is therefore a great religious democracy—a church governed by the people.

In a church or nation so governed the *power* of government lies in the franchise of its citizenship. The *safety* of that government is therefore in the ballot-box.

When the citizen becomes political, or selfish, or ignorant, that government is proportionately weakened and endangered.

The one great means of safety to any democratic organization is *information.* Without it there can be no intelligent action.

Ignorance is not a bliss, especially in such a government.

The one great means by which such a people may receive the essential information for intelligent action is the public press. The world of organization has come to recognize this fact and the land is thereby flooded with periodicals—political, religious, and of every kind.

Our own great Church is no exception. Early in its history our leaders recognized this need and our publishing interests were launched. And as the years pass, we are learning more and more the wisdom of their action.

More and more we are learning that it is impossible to have loyalty and intelligent action without a liberal circulation of our literature. It is also becoming more and more manifest that those who are intelligent readers of our literature, are also the loyal and faithful supporters of the cause of God and the Church.

This is just cause for saying that our literature should be in all our homes. Nothing aside from the Bible itself is better for our people.

We are justly proud of our Church organ, the Religious Telescope, the Watchword, our Young People's Paper, our Sunday-school literature, the Evangel—in fact all our literature; also of their increasing efficiency and circulation.

We are also justly proud of our great publishing plant, and its rapid growth, and every increasing volume of business, and let us to-day pledge the men in these varied responsibilities our prayers and heartiest support, and commend them for the remarkable success already achieved.

J. T. McCreery,
Committee.

REPORT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE.

We, your committee to audit the books of the Conference Treasurer, Treasurer of the Preachers' Aid, and Treasurer of the Conference Church and Parsonage Building Association, desire to report that we have examined said books and find them correct, except a matter of $35 (approximately) in Reverend McCreery's books.

B. F. Dotson,
C. C. Rider,
P. E. Blakney,
Committee.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Dayton, Ohio, August 11, 1917.

Dear Bishop and Brethren:

It would be a great joy to be with you in your annual session. As this is impossible, I drop these few lines to assure you of my interest in your welfare as workers in the cause of our Lord and also to ask your hearty co-operation in the work of Christian education.

You will be interested to know that within the past quadrennium the assets of our institutions of learning were increased by $750,000. The attendance for the year just closed is 2,759, which is a gain of 643 over the attendance of four years ago. There are now 276 young people in our institutions of learning who are preparing for full life service in the Church, which is a gain of at least fifty over the number in preparation for such work four years ago.

These figures give testimony to the fact that our educational work is making rapid progress. Greater things, however, ought to be accomplished the ensuing quadrennium. The goals set up by the General Conference call for just about double the advancement which we have made the past quadrennium. Such gains, however, are reasonably within our reach if we can make the attack in mass formation. Many hands make light work. I am very anxious that every one who can lift a single pound will enter the lists and take part in the work for Christ and the Church.

May I ask that as a Conference you plan for the observance of Education Day by every pastor and congregation. There is simply no measure to the interest created and the influence exerted, when all our pastors and people in a concerted way talk and plan for the great cause of Christian education.

Certainly you will all use every possible opportunity to turn young people to the halls of our colleges and to Bonebrake Theological Seminary. Give our institutions your sympathetic interest, your earnest prayers, your most encouraging words, and best possible financial support.

You will not forget that the work of Christian education is vital to every church activity. It is because of the fact that we must have qualified workers in missions, church building, Sunday schools, Young People's work, and every other department of the Church, that great emphasis must be laid upon Christian education as the agency for raising up the needed workers. Our Christian institutions of learning are the regular and natural source for the supply of our leading workers. It will ever be true that the secret of an advancing church is a consecrated and well-trained leadership.

I want to request an interest in your prayers for all our institutions of learning, their presidents, faculties, and student bodies. Let it be our chief aim to enrich them as agencies for the production of Christian character in the lives of the students, and let us all labor together to the end that they may continue to be centers of evangelistic power.

Wishing you a profitable session of Annual Conference and fullest success in all the work of the ensuing year, I am,

Yours in the Master's Name,
Wm. E. Schell,
General Secretary of Education.

REPORT OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND BROTHERHOODS.

Dayton, Ohio, August 14, 1917.

My dear Brethren:

I regret that I cannot be with you in your Annual Session, so write to assure you that I am present in thought and that you have my earnest prayers for your work. All I ask is that in your deliberations, you keep in mind as you plan, the Four-Year Program, the department of Sunday schools and Brotherhoods. We must make a great, united drive to reach our goals for these departments.

1. A twenty-five per cent. net increase in *enrollment*. This must be the average for every school.

2. *Education*. Each school to aim at reaching every point in the United Brethren standard of efficiency which includes an offering from the Brotherhoods on Brotherhood Day, and an offering on Children's Day, for the General Board's work, for the Sunday schools and Brotherhoods.

3. *Evangelism*. One or more Decision Days in each school, and a united campaign in evangelism, with a view to reaching every pupil for Christ and the Church.

4. A big drive for *family worship* in every United Brethren home. This to be promoted by the pastors, church officers, and adult Bible classes.

Every Conference is asked to provide an elementary superintendent to help push the children's work in the Cradle Roll, beginners, primary, and junior departments of every school in the Conference.

The General Conference has asked for a closer co-operation on the part of each Conference Board of Control with the General Board and that a fund be provided for the same. Also that institutes and schools of methods be held throughout the conferences for the promotion of the work.

We can make this a memorable quadrennium *if we unite in reaching the goals.* Now is the time. The field is before us. There is no time to be sleeping on guard. Our department is ready to help you in every way possible. Our office is at your command. Let us work and pray together, I am,

Yours for a big four-years' drive,
Chas. W. Brewbaker,
General Secretary.

REPORT OF FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Dayton, Ohio, August 16, 1917.

Dear Co-workers:

It is impossible for me to be present at your Annual Conference this year. What a time this is for Christian workers to assemble in an annual conference, we who represent that which is abiding, and cannot be shaken while the world is going through the most terrible horrors of war and when human values are changing every day!

I have the conviction that God is calling the Church to undertake what to man alone is absolutely impossible, that we may all be driven to take hold of the supernatural help of God this year. May your sessions lead you to see the unsearchable riches and power of Christ and to attempt in his name such definite, big tasks as shall make the next twelve months the greatest in the history of the Lower Wabash Conference.

Mrs. J. Hal Smith will represent the Foreign Missionary Society at your Conference.

Asking your earnest prayers and hearty co-operation for the great work ahead in establishing Christ's Kingdom in distant lands, I am,

Most sincerely,
S. S. Hough,
Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GRADING PAPERS IN SEMINARY EXTENSION COURSE.

In the absence of any known basis for grading (the basis set forth in the latest issue of the Telescope came too late for our use) the committee established a basis of its own, as follows:

1. Scope of Treatment: 2. Accuracy of Treatment: 3. Composition. What is embraced in the first two may be readily understood. The third embraces orthography, grammar, punctuation, use of capitals, logical arrangement, etc.

The committee received twenty-seven papers, showing, for the most part, careful research and painstaking preparation. Names, subjects, and grades follow:

		Scope of Treatment.	Accuracy of Treatment.	Composition.
C. W. Perkins	Hebrews, Its Teaching, Chapters 7-13	85	90	95
Leo B. Venatta	The James of the New Testament	90	95	86
J. E. Spencer	Jesus Christ Himself, as described in Revelation 1:9-20	80	80	77
W. O. Albert	Revelation, Jesus Christ and the Church			
	The Seven Churches of Asia, Location, Message to, Chapters 2-3	100	90	85
G. W. Ball	Hebrews, Its Teaching, Chapters 7-13	80	85	90
L. W. Godart	Revelation, Time, Object, Place, Subject, Analysis.	85	80	75
Miss E. Thomson	Revelation, Final Words, Chapter 22:6-21	95	90	95
E. M. Pierson	II. Peter, Author, Time, Object, Subject, Analysis..	90	95	90
C. O. Myers	I. John, Time, Author, Object, Subject, Analysis..	90	95	96
T. H. Decker	I. John, Time, Author, Object, Subject, Analysis..	85	90	95
Oscar Smith	I. Peter, Author, Time Object, Subject, Analysis..	70	75	76
J. C. Fowler	Jude, Author, Time, Object, Subject, Analysis	95	90	95
W. K. Pierson	The James of the New Testament	98	95	95
I. S. McIver	Revelation, Time, Object, Place, Subject, Analysis.	85	95	90
S. O. Stoltz	II and III. John, Author, Time, Object, Subject, Analysis	95	95	90
G. L. Good	The Epistle of James, Author, Time, Object, Subject, Analysis	98	87	80
Curtis Williams	Hebrews, Author, Time, Object, Subject, Analysis.	90	95	85
L. H. Cooley	I. Peter, Author, Time, Object, Subject, Analysis...	100	95	98
W. R. Seitzinger	The Epistle of James, Time, Place, Author, Subject, Object, Analysis	100	95	90
Sarah D. Bowman	Hebrews, Teaching, Chapters 1-6	95	96	98
W. O. Stonebraker	James, Author, Time, Object, Subject, Analysis	90	95	85
J. L. Pellum	II. Peter, Author, Time, Object, Subject, Anaiysis.	95	90	85
N. E. Royer	Jude, Author, Time, Object, Subject, Analysis	95	95	90
W. L. Blackwell	Revelation, Author's History	90	85	93
B. B. Phelps	I. John, Author, Time, Object, Subject, Analysis..	75	80	80
W. L. Perkins	Hebrews, 1-6, Teaching	95	90	95

G. W. Bonebrake,
W. L. Perkins,
W. L. Duncan,
D. R. Seneff,
Committee.

STANDARD OF EFFICIENCY.

1. Pastor's report complete, with correct entries and footings, and in hands of Statistical Committee by noon of the opening day of Conference.....10%

2. A net increase in membership equal to 50% of ingathering during the year.....10%

3. An organized Sunday school at each appointment, with an increased enrollment equal to 10% of the enrollment at beginning of year.....10%
4. One Telescope to every ten members, with names and addresses of subscribers furnished Statistical Committee....10%
5. Ten per cent. increase in Christian Endeavor enrollment 5%
6. Regular reports to Superintendent's Cabinet properly filled out and in hands of the Superintendent on time.....10%
7. Pastor's salary paid in full as per contract.....10%
8. Benevolence budget and administration fund paid in full and in hands of the Conference Treasurer on specified time...10%
9. Finance Committee fully organized and canvass made for both local and benevolence budgets not later than sixty (60) days after the close of the Conference session.....15%
10. Classified roll of members of each Official Board with their addresses, together with the alphabetical roll and addresses of members of each local church at the end of the year. To be given to the Statistical Committee on the first day of Conference 10%

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SEMINARY EXTENSION.

We, your Committee on Seminary Extension, recommend studies in the Old Testament as follows:

Theme, "The Old Covenant—By Characters."

Subject for each character—His or her life and work, personally, politically, socially, religiously.

Adam——W. O. Albert, R. L. Webber.
Enoch——W. L. Blackwell, Elizabeth Thomson.
Noah——Paul E. Blakney, B. N. Sypolt.
Abraham——J. B. Connett, W. O. Stonebraker.
Rebecca——T. H. Decker, T. D. Spyker.
Jacob——B. F. Dotson, J. E. Spencer.
Joseph——J. C. Fowler, J. E. Sibert.
Moses——J. F. Fowler, W. R. Seitzinger.
Aaron——G. L. Good, N. E. Royer.
Joshua——R. B. Hall, H. S. Reese.
Deborah——Essie Henry, L. J. Powell.
Gideon——H. D. Hudson, W. K. Pierson.
Samson——J. T. McCreery, E. M. Pierson.
Jephthah——I. S. McIver, C. W. Perkins.
Samuel——L. E. Miller, C. T. Shortridge.
Saul——W. R. Muncie, J. L. Pellum.
David——C. O. Myers, G. W. Padrick.
Solomon——J. B. Norviel, W. T. Raley.
Asa——S. O. Stoltz, Arthur O. Ramsey.

Ahab——F. C. Aungst, Sarah D. Bowman.
Elijah——Chas. A. Curtis, Monroe Tate.
Jehoshaphat——Sylvester Barker, Arthur Belden.
Elisha——Leo B. Venatta, Curtis Williams.
Hezekiah——Lloyd Godart, Guy H. Bond.
Manasseh——Edward Boley, Everett E. Johnson.
Josiah——D. R. Seneff, R. L. Fletcher.
Zedekiah——W. L. Perkins, G. W. Ball.

Each person assigned a subject is to prepare a paper and present same to the committee not later than July 1, 1918, for grading.

J. B. Connett,
R. B. Hall,
I. S. McIver,
Committee.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF CHURCH AND PARSONAGE BUILDING ASSOCIATION.

Funds received since August 15, 1916, to August 15, 1917	$390.55
Amount paid out	261.09
Balance in treasury	129.46
Assets secured by note and mortgage:	
Mt. Vernon Church	$ 500.00
St. Louis Church	3869.28
St. Louis Parsonage	915.00
Charleston Church	500.00
Due from Northern Illinois Conference	14.47
Total Assets	$5798.75
Balance in Treasury	129.46
Grand Total in Assets	$5928.21

J. C. Fowler, Treasurer.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT.

Four thousand dollars were borrowed and a mortgage placed on the church, for the same, with which to complete the church at East St. Louis, $134 of funds received from other sources, making a total of receipts $4,134 which was paid out by the pastor, Rev. P. E. Blakney. He has made an itemized report to the board showing total receipts to be:

Receipts	$4134.00
Disbursements	4076.10
Balance in hands of the Pastor	$ 57.90

J. C. Fowler, Treasurer.

REPORT ON RESOLUTIONS.

Man should be very grateful that God, the Father, so loved the world that he gave his Son to establish a church, and counted man worthy of having a place in it. We should be grateful for the achievements of the church; for the potent factor it has been for good. But I pause when I see the horrors of war. This is wrong to man and hateful to God, and yet God's purpose must be secured. And if it cannot be in any other way, God entrusts to man the sword until it is. How inconsistent human beings are—spending more in one year in the destruction of the nations of the world than in a lifetime in the salvation of them. O, that man might hear the voice of the Master say, "Put up thy sword." Therefore,

Resolved, that we, as ministers of the gospel of Christ, preach the Word in such a way as to impress men with the better way to settle trouble.

God gave the church a mission. The Master said, "Come unto me." "Learn of me." Then "go." Go into all the world carrying the message of life to all men. The church has been successful in carrying the message, through her missionaries, to the ends of the earth. The message has not accomplished all the church hoped for.

The Master desires to set some men and women apart for specific work, preaching the Word. How slow and disobedient men are. Negligent, careless, and indifferent they move through the world, while men and women are starving for the real bread of life.

Tobacco. O, when will Christian professors stop using the filthy stuff? When will they cleanse themselves from the filth of the flesh? Only when they talk to God about it.

Resolved. that every minister be an example by keeping himself clean and free from the use of the weed.

Resolved. that the Conference labor, pray for, and expect the conversion and addition of two thousand souls this coming Conference year.

Resolved, that we, as a Conference, express our sincere thanks to Rev. J. T. McCreery, the pastor, and the good people of Lawrenceville, for the hospitable way in which they have entertained the Conference.

And to Bishop H. H. Fout for the beautiful spirit and energetic way in which he has presided over the Conference. Also that we thank the different general officers for their presence and splendid addresses on the various interests of the Church.

Last, but not least, let us pray that God may lead in the unsettled conditions of our country, so as to bring to pass that which he purposes.

E. M. Pierson, Committee.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF BENEFICIARY AID.

Receipts.

Brought forward from last year	$635.96
Received from General Treasurer, L. O. Miller	130.00
Received from rental on property	53.50
Received from returned loans	555.00
Received from sale of property	400.00
Received in interest	362.42
Received from S. O. Stoltz, Conference Special	176.18
	$2313.06

Disbursements.

Paid Beneficiaries	$570.00
Paid Treasurer	20.00
Loaned S. O. Stoltz, Treasurer	150.00
Loaned Everett E. Johnson	100.00
Loaned B. C. Peters	115.00
Loaned Citizens' Bank	400.00
Paid Tax	6.48
Paid for repairs	17.18
	$1378.66
Balance in Treasury	934.40
	$2313.06

STATIONING COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

H. H. Fout, D.D., Bishop Northwest District.
W. L. Perkins, Conference Superintendent.

Brownstown—L. J. Powell.
Birds—W. O. Stonebraker.
Beecher City—W. C. Osman.
Bluford—G. W. Padrick.
Charleston—Arthur O. Ramsey.
Chesterville—Miss Essie Henry.
Casey Station—To be supplied.
Casey Circuit—R. L. Webber.
Champaign—Urbana—To be supplied.
Clarksburg—W. K. Pierson.
Danville Station—J. B. Connett.
Danville Circuit—W. R. Muncie.
East St. Louis—Paul E. Blakney.
Findlay—Oscar Smith.
Fisher—J. E. Sibert.
Flora Station—E. M. Pierson.
Flora Circuit—H. S. Reese.

Galton—T. D. Spyker.
Hamletsburg—To be supplied.
Johnstown—Chas. A. Curtis.
Lawrenceville—J. T. McCreery.
Locust Grove—T. H. Decker.
Loogootee—Sylvester Barker.
Longview—C. T. Shortridge.
Marshall—J. L. Pellum.
Martinsville—Ralph Webber.
Mt. Vernon—N. E. Royer.
New Hebron—Curtis Williams.
Oakwood—H. D. Hudson.
Oblong—C. W. Perkins.
Olney Station—L. E. Miller.
Olney Circuit—L. W. Godart.
Otterbein—Monroe Tate.
Paris—Edgar E. Spatz.
Parkersburg—W. T. Raley.
Penfield—W. L. Blackwell.
Pesotum—C. O. Myers.
Potomac—B. F. Dotson.
Redmon—F. C. Aungst.
Robinson—I. S. McIver.
Rose Hill—H. W. Broadstone.
Rossville—Arthur Belden.
St. Francisville Station—W. O. Albert.
St. Francisville Circuit—R. B. Hall.
Sumner—J. C. Fowler.
To'edo—W. R. Seitzinger.
Vergennes—G. H. Bond.
Vermilion—J. E. Spencer.
Westfield Station—B. N. Sypolt.
Westfield Circuit—G. W. Ball.
White Heath—J. F. Fowler.
Woodriver—Miss Elizabeth Thomson.
Yale—G. L. Good.

B. C. Peters, student in Otterbein College.

Leo B. Venatta, student in Indiana Central University.

Everett E. Johnson, student in Bonebrake Theological Seminary.

Miss Sarah D. Bowman, Student in Bonebrake Theological Seminary.

J. B. Norviel, 405 W. California St., Urbana, Ill., resting for a year to regain health.

S. O. Stoltz, Conference Church Erection Secretary.

Lower Wabash Conference Telescope Quotas.

* Indicates charges which have reached the 1917 Quota.
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NO.	LOCAL CHURCHES	1917 Members	1917 TELS.	1917 Quota	1918 Quota
1	Avena	99	8	8*	10
2	Blue Mound	39	1	3	4
3	Birds	246	35	21*	25†
4	Beecher City	193	24	16*	19†
5	Blueford	427	21	36	43
6	Charleston	154	8	13	15
7	Chesterville	170	5	14	17
8	Casey	420	25	35	42
9	Casey Circuit	191	19	16*	19†
10	Clarksburg	218	9	18	22
11	Danville	234	27	20*	23†
12	Danville Circuit	269	27	22*	27†
13	E. St. Louis	84	11	7*	8†
14	Flora	139	23	12*	14†
15	Flora Circuit	389	9	32	39
16	Findlay	140	6	12	14
17	Fisher	179	24	15*	18†
18	Galton	54	6	5*	6†
19	Hamletsburg	86	4	7	9
20	Johnstown	188	3	16	19
21	Loogootee	170	10	14	17
22	Locust Grove	129	8	11	13
23	Longview	193	19	16*	19†
24	Lawrenceville	445	36	37	45
25	Mt. Vernon	57	6	5*	6†
26	Marshall	266	15	22	27
27	Martinsville	235	30	20*	24†
28	New Hebron	461	45	38*	46
29	Oakwood	309	21	26	31
30	Olney	365	51	30*	37†
31	Olney Circuit	300	18	25	30
32	Oblong	312	24	26	31
33	Otterbein	262	5	22	26
34	Pesotum	95	8	8*	10
35	Potomac	187	15	16	19
36	Penfield	187	16	16*	19
37	Paris	276	20	23	28
38	Parkersburg	346	51	29*	35†
39	Redmon	336	29	28*	34
40	Rossville	171	17	14*	17†
41	Robinson	245	13	20	25
42	Rose Hill	225	15	19	23
43	Sumner	493	47	41*	49
44	St. Francisville	195	19	16*	19†
45	St. Francisville Circuit	300	28	25*	30
46	Toledo	136	16	11*	14†
47	Vergennes	230	11	19	23
48	Vermillion	222	25	19*	22†
49	White Heath	77	13	6*	8†
50	Woodriver	69	9	6*	7†
51	Westfield	220	87	18*	22†
52	Westfield Circuit	275	5	23	28
53	Yale	252	19	21	25
54	Prairie Chapel	30	0	3	3
55	Champaign-Urbana	19	0	2	2
		12008	1046	1003	1207

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